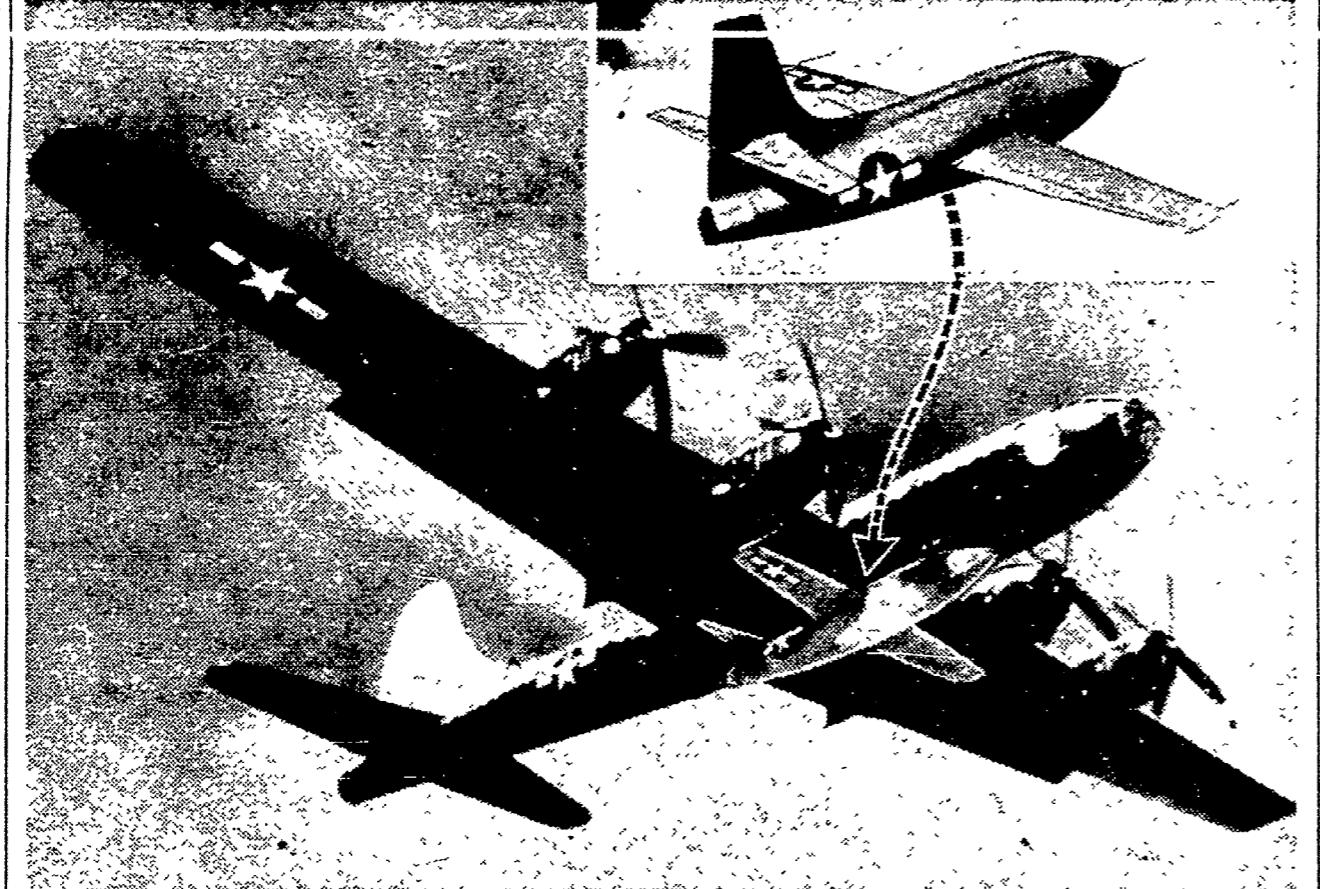


500 Arrested in Greek Murder Plot; Communists Claim Independent State

Report XS1 Plane Flies Faster Than Sound



The U. S. Air Force's new rocket-engine plane, the XS-1 (shown in flight—Inset) has broken through the "supersonic barrier" to fly faster than the speed of sound, it is reported in Aviation Week magazine. The plane is launched from the belly of a Superfort bomber as shown above. Its rocket motors have about a one-minute life, after which the plane is glided to a landing. Flights at speeds above 660 miles an hour, at record altitudes, assertedly have been made several times during the past month.

Death Toll Hits 336 In Palestine Violence

JERUSALEM, Dec. 25 (AP)—Shootings, bombings, armed robberies and other violence swept over Palestine Christmas Day, increasing to 336 the number of dead since the United Nations decided to divide the Holy Land between the Jews and Arabs.

The number may be even higher. Two British soldiers were killed and at least three wounded, a police source said, when the underground Stern gang attacked a group in a Tel Aviv cafe tonight. Other British soldiers were reported wounded here and in Nazareth.

Armed Arabs held up and looted a train near Sarafand Junction in central Palestine. Reports said a large quantity of goods was stolen from four cars and carted away in trucks. One report from a private source said 200 were in the attacking party.

One Jew and one Arab were killed in a fight in which Haganah, Jewish national defense army, blew up a sniping post at Holon, near the coast of central Palestine. Another Jew was killed several hours later when sniping was resumed from an alternate post.

Haganah said three Arabs were killed in a drive by Jewish forces on Arab cafes which the Jews said were headquarters for Arab gunmen in the Hatikva quarter on the outskirts of Tel Aviv. Informants said the fighting broke out when two British armored cars appeared.

Jewish fighters stalked Arab attackers of highway convoys in the Judean hills north of Jerusalem, killing one and wounding three. Arms and ammunition were seized.

Haganah forces repulsed an Arab attack on the crowded Beth H-

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Sea Tragedies Take Lives of 4 Americans

By The Associated Press
At least four seamen died and 34 others were reported missing last night as a result of a series of Christmas mishaps that befall ships at sea.

A typhoon moving along an erratic course into the Philippine islands brought distress to two vessels. The 982-ton Danish motorship Kina reported she was aground near Camandag off Samar Island and her crew was preparing to abandon ship. An inter-island ship reported the Kina in a sinking condition.

Off southeastern Luzon, the 3070-ton Norwegian freighter Tigre messaged that she had been driven ashore near the town of Tabaco.

A heavy gale at the confluence of the Baltic sea and the Gulf of Finland caused the 7607-ton American freighter Park Victory to smash against the cliffs of Uto island, drowning four seamen. Eleven others who took to a lifeboat were reported missing.

Twenty-three of the 25 crew members of the 1950-ton Norwegian steamship Skoghau were listed as missing after an explosion wrecked the ship in the North sea off the port of Schoorl, The Netherlands.

The SS John Owen, a 716-ton American Liberty ship, radioed that it was disabled and drifting in the South Atlantic ocean due south of Rio de Janeiro and about 500 miles from the nearest point of land. Maritime sources in Buenos Aires, from which the ship sailed Dec. 19 for Antwerp, said the ship was believed to have lost its propeller. One message reported the ship in a near foundering condition.

CLIPPER IN DISTRESS

HALIFAX Friday, Dec. 26 (AP)—A Pan American Airways Clipper en route from the Azores to Moncton, N. B. sent a distress signal today, 300 miles out over the Atlantic from Sydney, N. S.

THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Brief light snow early today followed by clearing and warmer this afternoon. Tomorrow fair with moderate temperature.

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TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were:

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Communists Continue to Press China Fight As New Constitution Is Put Into Effect

PEIPING, Dec 25 (AP) — China spent her first day under a new constitution today with the same national government in Nanking struggling to maintain its position in a civil war flaming from frozen Manchuria to the nation's heartland.

On schedule, the constitution went into effect by official decree. The present government will continue in power until the national assembly convenes March 29.

Meanwhile Communist forces took the initiative across half the length of China. They ringed the Manchurian city of Mukden with a four-sided offensive. They threatened to cut off Manchuria entirely at Chinwangtiao, where the great wall runs into the sea. They should run across the North China from Chefoo at the tip of Shantung to the hills of Shansi. They claimed a vast but vague victory in Central China.

Fighting waxed hottest in sub-zero Manchuria. The government claimed 200,000 Communist troops were menacing the Mukden garrison on a perimeter within a 45-mile radius of the windswept city. Neutral observers here consider this figure exaggerated, but it is clear from government reports that the Communists are astride the main stem railway north of Mukden and threaten its connection with the rest of China at Simien, 40 miles to the west.

The Communists north of the city are maneuvering as if to prevent the government garrison from breaking southward out of isolated Changchun, the Manchurian capital 150 miles up the line.

In Mukden itself, deputy national commander Gen. Lo Cho-Ying minimizes danger to the great industrial center. He was bolstered by the arrival today of government warplanes. The Communists have produced nothing they can put in the air. Lo also was encouraged by reports that Gen. Fu Tso-Yi is rushing troops up from North China to relieve the Mukden garrison.

Fu's early arrival, however, may be in doubt. Fresh reports say the Communists have raided the railway just south of the Great Wall port of Chinwangtiao, near the Peitaiho resort area where they destroyed a railway hostel and hospital.

Here in North China, neutral observers speculate that the Communists probably consider Mukden too expensive to take and hold, and that they will content themselves with cutting it off and leaving it "an island of desolation surrounded by desolation."

They note that the new Communist offensive in Manchuria seems to have drawn off government troops needed for defense of North China, and say such strategic cities as Tientsin and Peiping may be threatened next.

Meanwhile government reports

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Mohandas Gandhi (above)

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MAN KILLED IN MISHAP

LANCASTER, Dec 25 (AP) — An 88-year-old man enroute to the home of relatives to deliver Christmas gifts was killed near Lancaster today by an automobile, police reported.

FINGERS THAT TICK

Tiny watches on rings of contrasting yellow gold and white palladium are increasingly popular.

One Dozen Santas Dine In Manhattan Restaurant

PEIPING, Dec 25 (AP) — The place was practically jumping with Santa Clauses.

A full dozen of them showed up, in full regalia, whiskers and all, for Christmas dinner as the guests of Max Rosoff at his Forty-Third street restaurant today.

The Santas, established their yearly get-together in 1937 and have been guests of different Manhattan restaurants and hotels each year. Those treated by Rosoff got full turkey dinners — everything from soup to cigars.

The 12 Kris Kringles were employees of the Volunteers of America organization who had been stationed on Manhattan streets for a pre-holiday campaign to provide Christmas dinners for the city's neediest.

Helpful Neighbors Let Chief's Roof Burn Up

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 25 (AP) — The neighbors didn't bother Fire Chief J. A. Alderson, busy unwrapping Christmas gifts, when they noticed a blaze on the roof of his home today. They didn't disturb the fire department either, but started playing water on it with a garden hose.

Chief Alderson, being more conversant with fires than his neighbors, stuck his head into the attic and found the entire roof ablaze. The fire department came in a hurry when he telephoned, but most of the roof was burned off with a loss he estimated at \$3000.

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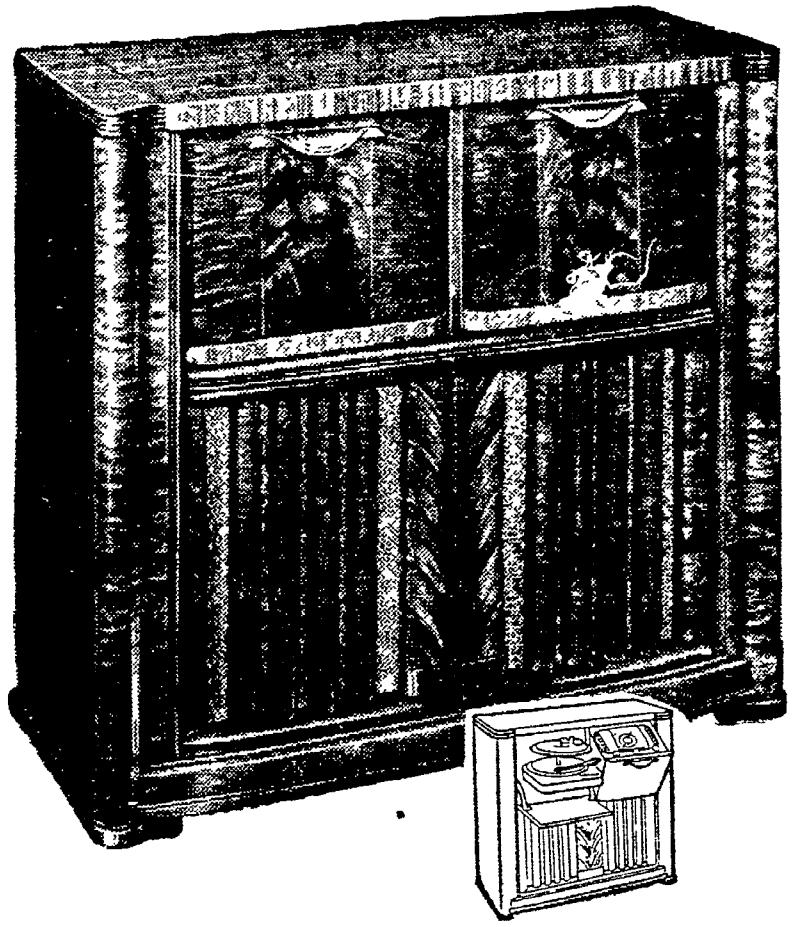
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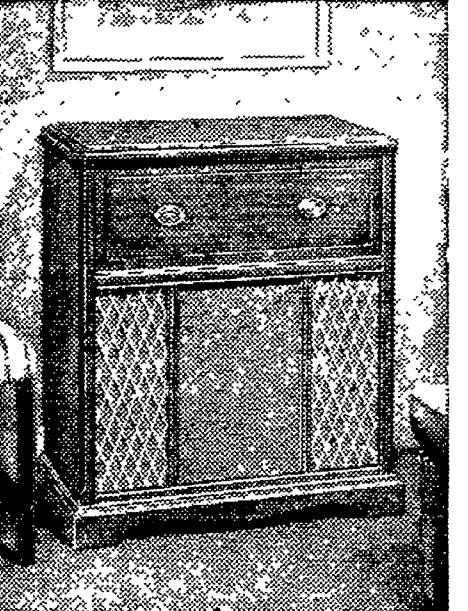
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China Struggle Gone So Far U. S. Aid May Not Help Too Much, Neutrals Believe

By JOHN RODERICK

SHANGHAI, Dec 25 (AP)—China's deteriorating military-economic situation is reaching a point where neither American money nor arms will have much bearing on the struggle with the Communists, according to a survey of the best foreign neutral opinion in widely-separated Chinese centers.

Attempting to find the answers to questions often raised both here and in Washington, Associated Press correspondents in China have assessed neutral residents on whether the present Nanking government faces collapse, whether American aid can save it, and if so, how much aid would be required.

The general Shanghai reaction is summarized best in the words of one foreign businessman:

"The Nanking government probably will be able to hold on for many more months to come. Whether American aid is given or not, it will affect this condition very little. However, stability never will be realized, either by this government or a future one, unless the basic causes of instability are attacked. These find their roots in civil war-shattered communications, millions of dollars wasted on the military budget, and speculation."

From the nation's capital, correspondent Harold K. Mills reported:

"The consensus here includes little expectation of a government collapse but rather a gradual loss of power and control over a period of the next year or more. There is general agreement that the situation is rapidly reaching a stage where American assistance in any practicable amount will not solve the situation, but will merely bolster the administration temporarily."

"The belief is growing among informed sources that the time is nearing when the possibility of military settlement of the Communist problem will be definitely past, with or without American assistance, with the only remaining recourse a political compromise giving the Communists equality in the government or new, uncontrolled elections on such a broad basis that the Communists and other leftists would be willing to participate."

"Most sources say any estimate of dollars required to solve the China problem would be a foolish guess."

From North China, Correspondent Joseph Burke reported:

"Peiping opinion questions whether there is enough money in the world to pull the government out of the hole far enough to save it for any length of time."

"Lack of reforms, corruption, failure to pay public servants a living wage, economic exchange, import-export restrictions, lack of land reforms are deemed more pertinent than military reasons for the government's position."

"American money might bolster the military economy but fail to reach the reasons for the present state of national affairs."

"However, there are reservations against accepting a premise of early collapse of the government in view of the recent Adrenalin supplied by the American congress."

In Hong Kong, Correspondent Wayne Richardson sampled neutral British opinion as well as in south China, and reported:

"Foreign and neutral Chinese opinion generally is agreed that the Chinese government is in danger of collapse in the near future, equally due to military and economic reasons."

"American aid could save China but it would take at least \$500,000,000 U. S. dollars. Less would do little if any good."

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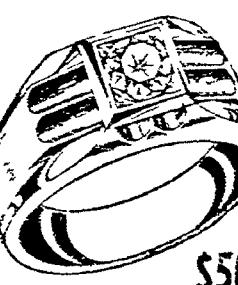
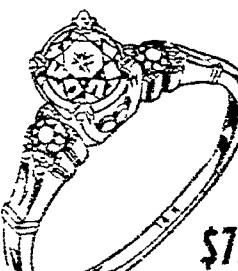
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The habit of saving is itself an education; it fosters every virtue, teaches self-denial, cultivates the sense of order, trains to forethought, and so broadens the mind.—T. T. Munger.

Boom to Last Through 1948

US BUSINESS management expects the US boom to last through 1948—and is planning accordingly.—Fortune magazine will disclose in its January issue.

This semiannual forecast is the country's only broad, continuing survey of businessmen's views on the business outlook. It is based on returns from ballots mailed to 28,200 top business executives throughout the US.

Business leaders' current optimism is in sharp contrast to their outlook last May, when 74 percent expected a slump by year's end. Following are percentages now expecting, in 1948:

A sharp upturn 1%
A moderate upturn 20
No appreciable change 39
A moderate downturn 37
A sharp downturn 2
No estimate 1

Today 65 percent of executives expects profits in the first half of 1948 to be as high or higher than in 1947. Almost none expects to lower their prices during the first half, and more than a third expect to increase them. Two evident reasons for this price policy: 60 percent expects raw material costs to go up; 69 percent expects labor costs to rise.

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Only in transportation does any considerable percentage of executives (15 percent) plan to reduce the labor force. Fortune discloses:

"In light of the 1,700,000 unemployed in the Autumn of 1947, almost an irreducible minimum, these employment plans would seem to foreshadow a tight labor market in 1948."

Executives guessed too low in their estimates, last May, of year-end production.

In the first forecast, a majority thought the Federal Reserve index of industrial production would be between 160 and 179 by year-end (preliminary figure for October was 183). Now 41 percent predicts a level of 169 to 187 for next July; 29 percent thinks it might be 187 to 205.

Last May the majority forecast of gross national product (total production in the US valued at current prices) was \$186 to \$208 billion; by the third quarter the G.N.P. was at an annual rate of \$232 billion—an all-time record. Now 71 percent expects it to be above \$215 billion next July; 31 percent above \$235 billion.

Many firms are budgeting increases in investment—particularly utilities, mining oil and extractive industries, and retailing. Increases are planned by 28 percent of all businesses (excluding financial firms).

Executives register hearty approval (70 percent) of the Marshall plan; and only tiny minorities are opposed to the new International Trade Organization, or to successful Geneva negotiations for tariff reduction. Largest percentage of opposition to lower tariffs appeared among soft goods manufacturers (22 percent). These findings, Fortune points out, provide little evidence of the traditional high-tariff bias of the US manufacturer.

Grampaw Oakley

PUNKIN CORNERS, December 25.

Dear Sir 'n' Brother:

Wal, I see by the papers that maybe it's just as well Christmas is over. A group of

Long Island youngsters mobbed Santa Claus the other day. He was bound to get it sooner or later for failure to deliver the full list of gifts asked.

Her husband finally grew disgusted with her oddities, and ignored her. Being a normally sexed woman, hungry for love, she missed her husband's affection.

Se her thoughts subconsciously drifted back to self-sex practices as a substitute.

But her mother's dire warning still was powerful, so she subconsciously paralyzed or "numbed" her arms in order to prevent herself from using them. Thus, she lay awake at night, with numbed arms, fearing heart trouble.

Her numbed arms were quickly cured when she learned the cause. Her so-called heart trouble was simply heartache of the romantic sort.

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If you wifes with a copy, send a 3-cent stamped, self-addressed envelope, plus a dime. Most divorces start in the bedroom, so be sure you learn how to keep your husband devoted to you all your life, as God intended you should.

GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY



WASHINGTON

Generals' Blunt Honesty

Bars Gate to Presidency

By RAY TUCKER

Letters must not be more than 250 words long, of current topics and must not involve personalities. Writers must sign their names and give street address and telephone number. Letters will be withheld from publication on request. It is a criminal offense to sign another person's name. Poetry, and communications advocating the election of political candidates are not acceptable.

By MERCUEY READERS

Dog and Cat Questions

To the Editor: Is it true that aged Aaron Orr revealed the name of the man to whom he sold the dogs before a magazine? If so, then why is this man being protected?

Is it true a relation of this man is connected with the police force? How can such a thing be possible when the police co-operate so wonderfully well with the SPCA in saving those dogs?

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But even an amateur around the ward crouches the White House and the House of Congress will recognize a certain validity in these objections.

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Deficit During '47;
Traffic Increased**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 (P)—The airlines reported today they worked harder and lost more money this year than the past year.

Considering domestic and international carriers as a whole, every class of traffic—passengers, mail, express and cargo—increased. The number of planes and the route mileage served increased. But the number of employees declined as the airlines trimmed expenses in an unsuccessful effort to get in the black.

The net loss for the year is estimated at something more than the \$7,000,000 recorded in 1946.

On the domestic lines, the number of passengers increased 7.7 percent to 13,189,366; air freight and express rose 111.5 percent to 70,805,631 ton-miles (weight times distance), and air mail declined less than one percent to 32,575,300 ton miles.

The international carriers reported an increase of 35.6 percent to 1,412,580 passengers; an increase of 95.9 percent to 15,993,393 ton-miles for air mail, and a total of 34,253,100 ton-miles of air cargo, an increase of 126.9 percent.

These figures were prepared by the Air Transport Association, representing all carriers holding certificates for scheduled airline service. The figures for December were estimated.

Compared with the industry's overall loss for the year, the international airline operators reported a profit of \$1,500,000 at the end of September.

Fares were increased by 20 percent on most domestic airlines during the year, and some carriers received mail pay increases.

At the end of the year, the domestic airlines had 69,127 employees.

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Richard Simmons is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Simmons.

Eli Gehman and family were recent guests of her sister, Mrs. Barbara Moyer and family, of Norwood.

Synagog

Congregation Messy and True, Dr. Emil Schorsch, rabbi. Today, 4:22 p.m., candle lighting and evening service; 8 p.m., late evening service, sermon theme, "Can Religion Be Tolerant?" Tomorrow, 9 a.m., morning service; 3 p.m., Sabbath Hebrew study at the home of the Rabbi; 5 p.m., afternoon and evening service, Sunday, 8 a.m., morning service; 4:15 p.m., afternoon and evening service. Daily services, 7 a.m. and 6:45 p.m.

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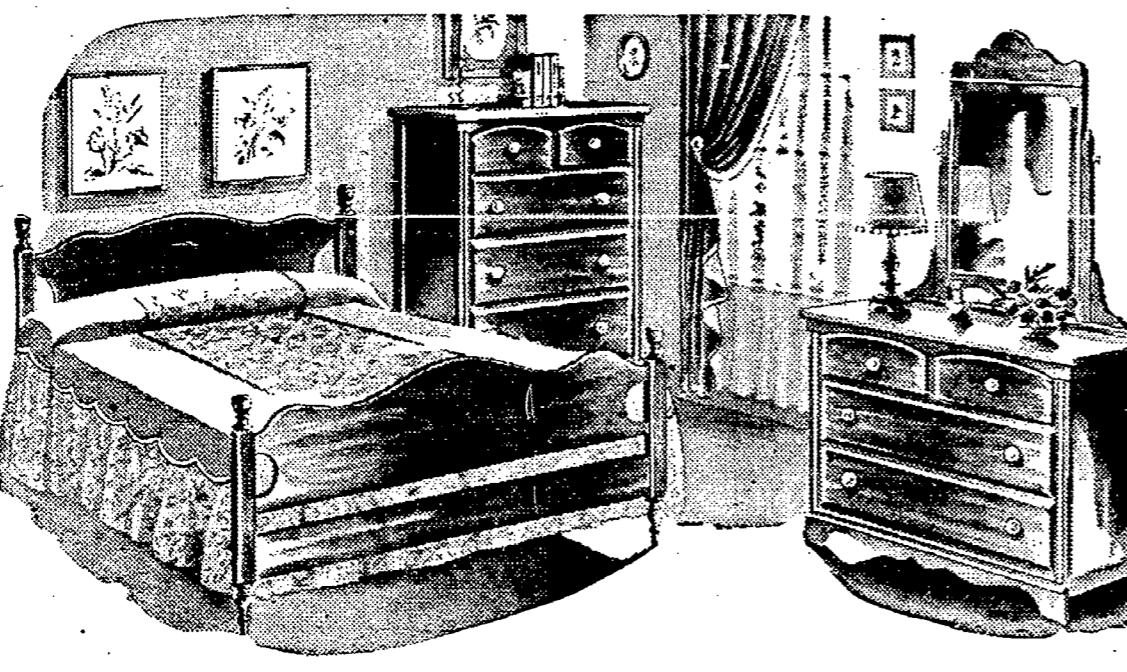


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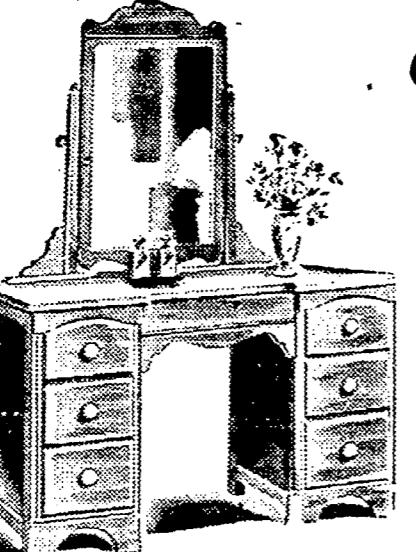
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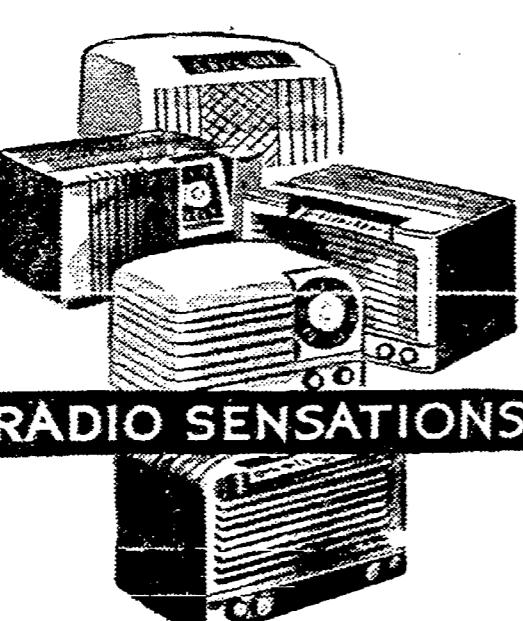
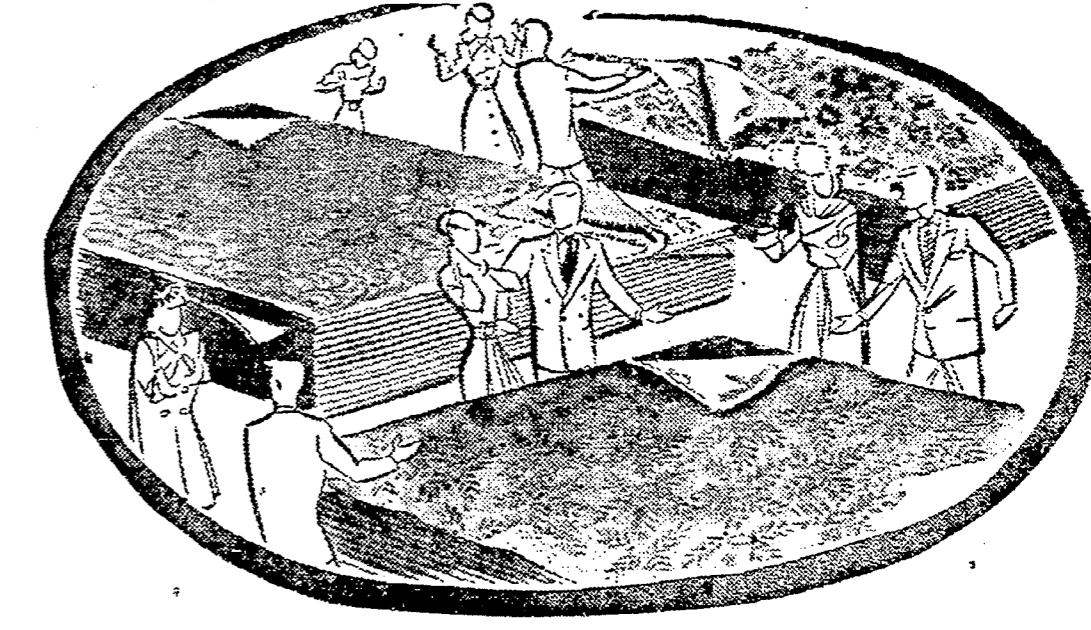
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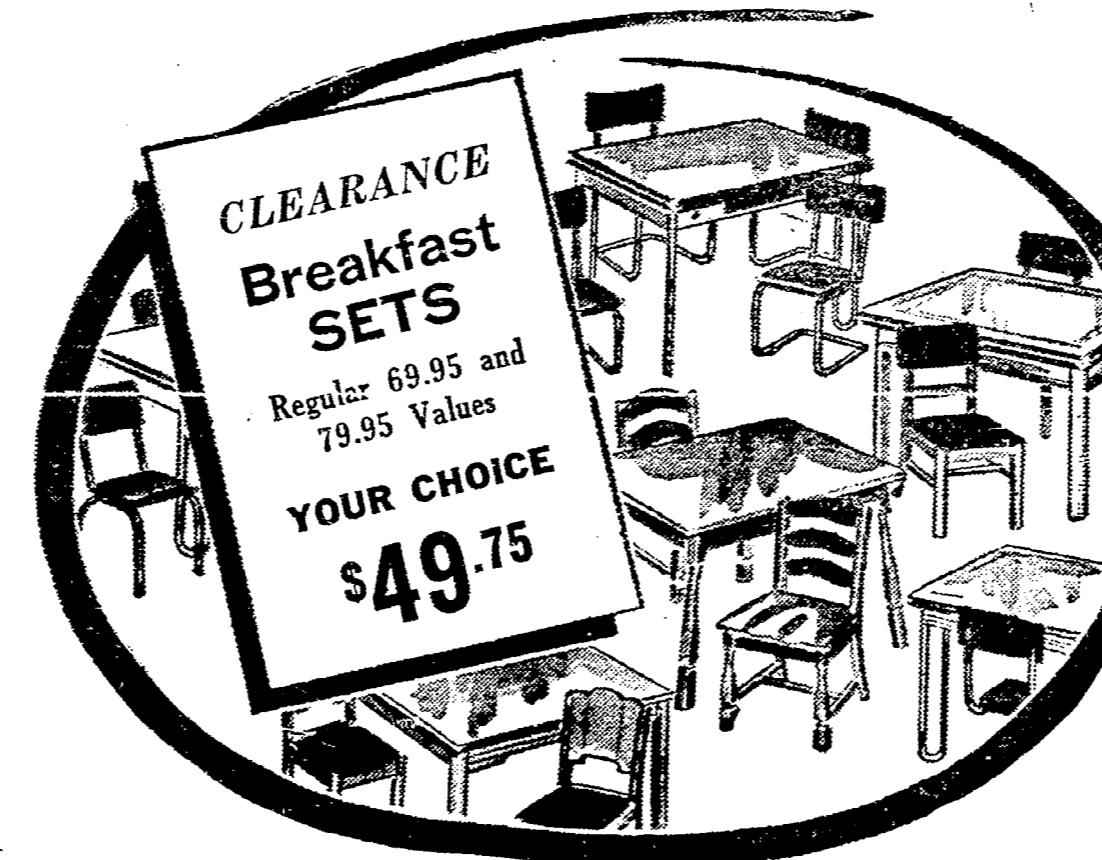
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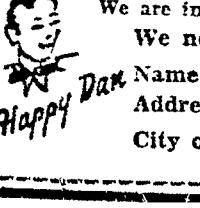
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Boyertown to Show Industrial Products in Spotlight Exhibit, Opening Tomorrow

With the opening of Boyertown's industrial "spotlight" show scheduled for 2 p. m. tomorrow, workmen are spending today in final preparations for the event which will show the thousands who are expected to visit it in the high school what Boyertown and surrounding communities contribute to the world in the way of industrial products.

Hundreds already have seen the exterior decorations, including the giant 6 by 25-foot sign bearing the title of the exhibit, "The Spotlight Is On Boyertown," and illuminated by giant floodlights playing on the front of the high school.

The show of 30 firms, arranged in gaily-decorated booths in the

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DEATHS — FUNERALS

GRANT R. BOWER, 80, veteran Boyertown bandsman, died Wednesday night in his home, 136 NORTH READING AVENUE, BOYERTOWN, as the result of a stroke he suffered the past Thursday. He had been in good health up to that time.

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Siamese Twins Die In Indianapolis; Surgery Abandoned

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 25 (AP)—Death came on Christmas Day to the Speer Siamese twins—boys joined at the tops of their heads.

They died this morning about an hour apart in an Indiana university medical center hospital to which they were brought soon after they were born Nov. 29 to Mrs. Edward R. Speer of Bedford, Ind., by a cesarean section operation.

The babies had spent most of their short lives in an incubator lying face up and head to head.

Dr. Donald Casely, medical center director, said the babies had been declining steadily the past eight days, growing more listless and showing less than normal interest in their feeding.

For a few days after their birth, Dr. Casely said, they seemed to thrive on a milk diet and, except for the skull juncture, appeared as "otherwise normal babies."

Dr. Casely said the infants were examined by several doctors to determine whether they could be separated by surgery but all agreed the pair had a common brain tissue and that a separation operation would prove fatal.

The 31-year-old father, however, had clung to hope they could be separated and had told a reporter, "If there's one chance in a million that they can be separated I'll take that chance."

The 27-year-old mother now is nearly recovered from the operation performed when the twins were born.

The Speers have no other children. A son born to Mrs. Speer about two years ago died at birth.

8000 Enjoy Bathing At Florida Resort

MIAAMI BEACH, Fla., Dec. 25 (AP)—Lifeguards estimated that 8000 persons enjoyed a Christmas Day swim in the ocean here today.

Clouds hid the sun much of the time and the crowd was smaller than yesterday, when upward of 10,000 visitors flocked to the beach.

Today's peak crowd came at 3 p.m. when the air temperature was 73 and the surf 72.

Paper has the same general chemical composition as sugar but molecular structure and arrangements are different.

Talk Things Over



In corridor of Brooklyn, N. Y., Felony Court, Joan Lipman, 19, and Henry Urff, 20, talk over their tangled romance. Joan was arraigned on charge of abandoning her nine-day old daughter. In court, Urff admitted that he was the child's father. He told Magistrate Cullen that he would wed Joan.

Reds Report Increase In Natural Gas Output

LONDON, Dec. 25 (AP)—Russia claimed today a 25.5 percent increase in natural gas production over 1946 output and 700 percent over its 1940 level.

The Moscow radio, quoting an article by Tass, Russian news agency, said the Soviet gas industry had fulfilled this year's program ahead of schedule.

The broadcast did not give any other figures.

LINFIELD

Mrs. Evelyn Albright, corr. R. H. Wells, del. phone Linfield 3151.

Mr. and Mrs. John Grebe spent Saturday in Reading.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Yardley, of Overbrook, Philadelphia, visited the Rev. and Mrs. A. P. Albright.

The following children are confined to their homes with the chickenpox: Eleanor Kulp, Marilyn Bieber, Carol Ann Grater, Daily Schur, Gladys Rumler and Donald Klemmer.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Reiter and daughter, Christine, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Wahl, of Boyertown.

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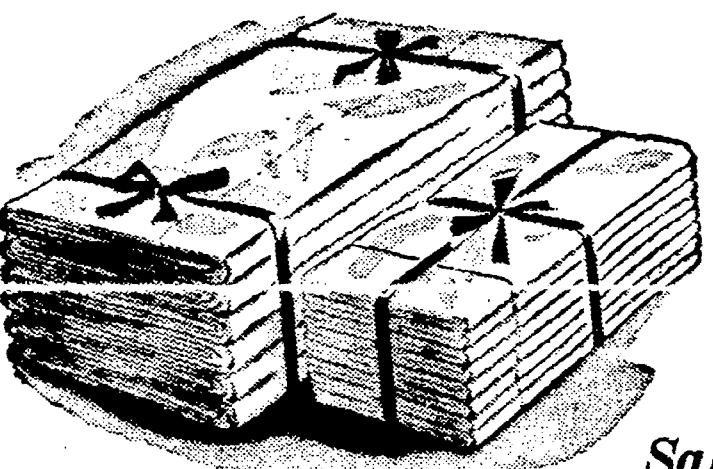
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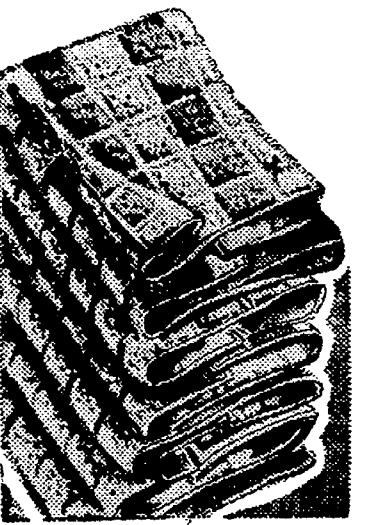
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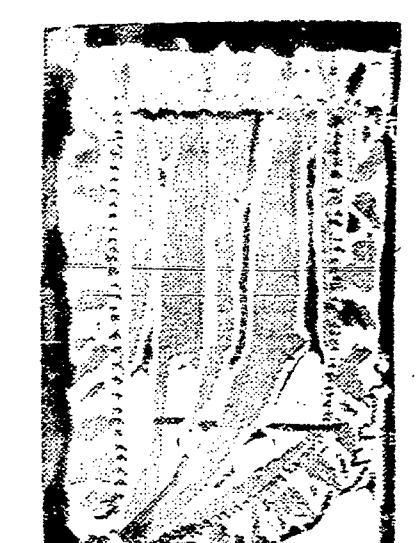
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**Mr. Paul Spencer
Engaged to Wed
Miss Mildred Hutt**

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hutt, of 41 Boone court, Penn Village, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mildred, to Mr. Paul A. Spencer, son of Mrs. Harry Spencer, 932 High street.

No wedding date has been announced.

Miss Hutt graduated from Pottstown High school, class of 1945 and is employed at Bethlehem steel company.

Mr. Spencer was graduated from Pottstown High school, class of 1942 and served in the Navy for three years. He is employed by the Pottstown Mercury.

**Hospital Nurses Feted
At Tea by Senior Auxiliary**

The nurses of the Pottstown hospital were entertained by the senior auxiliary of the hospital at a holiday tea recently in the nurse home.

Mrs. Harold Cadmus and Mrs. Stanley Grossé poured. Gifts were distributed by Mrs. Aaron Thalmer, who was dressed as Santa Claus.

Mrs. Roy Hohl, general chairman of the cheer committee, was in charge of the tea. Her aides were Mrs. D. D. Detar and Mrs. Russell Reisneider.

Others aiding were Mrs. S. Ernest Kulp, Mrs. William Manshug and Mrs. Morris Mosheim.

**Alda Marie Wenger,
Clyde Scheib to Wed**

Mr. and Mrs. W. Neff Wenger, Schuykill road, announced the engagement of their daughter, Alda Marie Wenger, to Clyde Vernon Scheib, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Scheib, "Sunnyside Farm," Kimberton, both of Phoenixville RD.

Miss Wenger graduated from Spring City High school with the class of 1947 and is employed by Keystone Drawn Steel company, Spring City. Mr. Scheib, who graduated from the same high school with the 1943 class, is associated with his father in farming. He is master-elect of Kimberton Grange.

**Chicken Dinner Staged
For Restaurant Employees**

Employees of the Blossom restaurant were entertained at a Christmas dinner recently by Mr. and Mrs. William Bolton at the restaurant.

The dinner consisted of chicken. Mrs. Viola Gegan acted as Santa Claus and distributed gifts.

Gifts were also given to Mr. and Mrs. Bolton.

Present were Donald Wambach, Miss Betty Bowman, Mrs. Margarette Seyler, Miss Rhea Shaner, Mrs. Clyde Ludwig, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Haas and daughter, Sandra; Mrs. Charles Shomo, Miss Doris Eschbach, Mrs. Gertrude Bewley, Mrs. Marian Leberman, Mrs. Bertha Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Arlington Freese, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bush, Mr. Jimmy Sherman and Mr. Waldo Feick.

**Center Square Man
To Wed Ann Kirkhoff**

The engagement of Miss Anna M. Kirkhoff to Edmond R. Morgan was announced yesterday by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Morgan, 801 Beech street.

Mr. Morgan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Morgan, Center Square. No wedding date has been set.

Miss Kirkhoff is employed by the Bell Telephone company and Mr. Morgan is employed by Smith's Pie Baking company.

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Today
Charles Auman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Auman, 115 South Evans street.

David Reidenour, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Reidenour, 610 North Charlotte street.

Zelda Clair Geyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Geyer, 32 Boone court, Penn Village.

Nancy Reider, daughter of Mrs. Mary Reider, 755 Sheridan street.

David Hane, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hane, 345 Chestnut street.

Sera Jane Allen, daughter of Mrs. Esther Allen, 18 North Hanover street.

Jeanne Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Walker, 281 Maser street.

Ralph E. Kinzer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Kinzer, 301 East Second street.

Richard Baccini, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baccini, 325 King street.

Sandra Overford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Oxenford, 217 Johnson street.

Charles Géphart, Pottstown RD 4.

Irving Mahr Jr. Sanatoga.

Hazel McDonald, Boyertown RD 1.

**Students Enjoy Party
At Business School**

Mistletoe, evergreens, and a Christmas tree decorated a class room of Pottstown Business school recently when the students' committee staged a party.

Gifts were given to the guests, carols sung and games played.

A buffet luncheon was served.

Persons present were Katherine Tiernan, Helen Stiou, Norman Hess, Arline Walt, Marcelle Carlier, Anna Murgia, Barbara Freed, Shirley Potts, Richard Dimmick, Dorothy Trainer, Virginia Wall, Rozella Worobetz, Beatrice Wagner, Morris Shane, Wanda Shane, Russell Trainer, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Quigg, Thelma McCulley, Frances Highley, Anne Wallace, Bette Jordan and Paul Edwards.

Also Betty Donohue, Eleanor Slaybough, Emma Rose Hayes, Charles Kelley, Lorraine Houck, Jack Dorang, Forrest Ash Anna Mae Fronheiser, Harvey Yost and Eddie DeBettis.

And Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Kelley, Miss Jean Bassett and Miss Suzanne Kelley.

Betrothal Revealed

At Christmas Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hopple, of 826 High street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Doris Nagle to Mr. Carl Kellar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kellar, 51 Edgewood street.

The betrothal was announced yesterday at a dinner. No wedding date has been set.

The bride-elect is employed at the Bell Telephone company and Mr. Kellar is employed by Doehler-Jarvis corporation.

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WOMEN'S PAGE

CLUB NEWS

WEDDINGS

Debutantes At Christmas Ball



Raising their arms as they sway to the rhythm of the music, a group of debutantes make a pretty picture as they take part in the "flower waltz" at the Debutante ball and Christmas ball at a New York hotel. Held for the benefit of the New York infirmary, 130 girls and their escorts attended.

**Dolores Etzel,
Francis J. Koren
Become Engaged**

On Christmas eve Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Etzel, of 52 West Fifth street announced the engagement of their daughter, Dolores, to Francis J. Koren, son of Mrs. Ruth Baer, Gilbertsville, maternally.

POTTSTOWN
Admitted: Robert Spero, Stowe, medical; Howard Nester, 31 East Thrid street, medical; Miriam Schutt, Boyertown, maternally; Mary Larabee, 241 High street, medical.

Discharged: Mrs. Helen Noecker, 111 Walnut street, maternally; Mrs. Ruth Baer, Gilbertsville, maternally.

No wedding date has been set.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Henry P. Schutz, of Faglesville, arrived home recently after spending four weeks in Germany visiting her family.

Storing aluminum utensils in a dry place is important, for this helps prevent pitting. Avoid stacking utensils to prevent scratches and denting.

GOOD WILL DANCE

Friday—Saturday—Sunday

DAN GARBER

**CHRISTMAS GREETING
TO YOU ALL**

I am Mary Samantha, a doll, made in 1840. In 1842 I traveled by stage coach from New York to Ohio. I was a Christmas present to a little girl there. I would like to wish for you a Christmas of peace and happiness. The joy we find in each day as it comes, in friends — in the doing of things that help to make others happy — the deep contentment in building up — and just being kind — I am in the window of

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BEATRICE FAIRFAX'S

Advice to the Lovelorn

Husband Sulks, Wife Coaxes

There is nothing more maddening to live with than a pouting partner — a husband or wife who subjects the other half of the family to recurrent eruptions of sulks.

Obviously, of course, anyone who indulges in anything of the sort has never outgrown his childhood. Mature men and women simply do not act that way. But if one is married to a grownup child, the going can get tough.

One of my correspondents writes me that she has been put up with this sort of thing from her husband for 23 years. She is now 47 and he is 24 years older. When they were first married, her husband's "spells of sulking only lasted" as she puts it, "two or three days." Now he can keep it up for a week at a time. "I feel like an old dog sometimes has kicked, when I cook for a man who is not talking to me," she writes.

The most baffling thing about her problem is that she has never, in all the years of her marriage, been able to find any reason for these silent grouchings. "The spells seem to come all at once," she says. "He may get up in the morning ready to blow up, and if he can't find anything to coax, or plead, or try to persuade either child, or childish man or woman, out of an ugly mood, only serves to intensify it, making the ill-tempered one get a lot of satisfaction

out of the attention he thus receives. I suggest that this wife try this plan, since 23 years of coaxing and pleading have got her nowhere. If she and the older son simply act as though the husband and father were not there at all when he retires into the silence he may, in time, get less satisfaction out of doing so and decide to behave differently.

**WEDDING
ANNIVERSARIES**

Today
Mr. and Mrs. Albert R. Pollock, of 313 Walnut street, 40 years.

Yesterday
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, of Elverson, Chester county.

**Helen Arlene Mauger,
Spring City, Engaged**

Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Mauger, of 769 Main street, Roversford, announced the engagement of their daughter, Helen Arlene to Mr. Richard C. DeWalt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. DeWalt, of 321 Bridge street, Spring City.

**Ellis Sherman
Betrothal Revealed**

Mrs. Anna M. Ellis of 567 Queen street, announces the engagement of her daughter, Jeanne M. to Mr. Harold J. Sherman, 629 Race street, Stowe.

No wedding date has been set.

**Pleasant Run Club
Holds Christmas Party**

Recitations were heard and songs sung by children at a recent Christmas party staged by the Mothers' club of Pleasant Run, in the grange hall at New Hanover.

Mrs. Jo-hus Kuto and Mrs. Samuel Schulz were in charge of the party. Santa Claus was present and gave gifts, candy and oranges to all persons present.

Several members staged a skit and sang carols. Mrs. Charles Rankin, pianist, accompanied them.

No wedding date has been announced.

Social Calendar

Hood college club—Meeting tonight at 6:30 o'clock at Lakeside Inn.

Dr. Henry I. Stahl, president of the college, will be the guest speaker.

**Woodrow W. Underkoffler
To Wed Florence Schulze**

Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. Schulze, of Creamery, announce the engagement of their daughter, Florence, to Mr. Woodrow W. Underkoffler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Underkoffler, of Gratzford.

Mrs. Schulze graduated from Schwenkville High school and the Pennsylvania Hospital School of Nursing and is employed at the Living-In-Hospital, Philadelphia.

Mr. Underkoffler attended Schwenkville High school, served in the Navy and is employed at the Superior Tissue company, of Collegeville.

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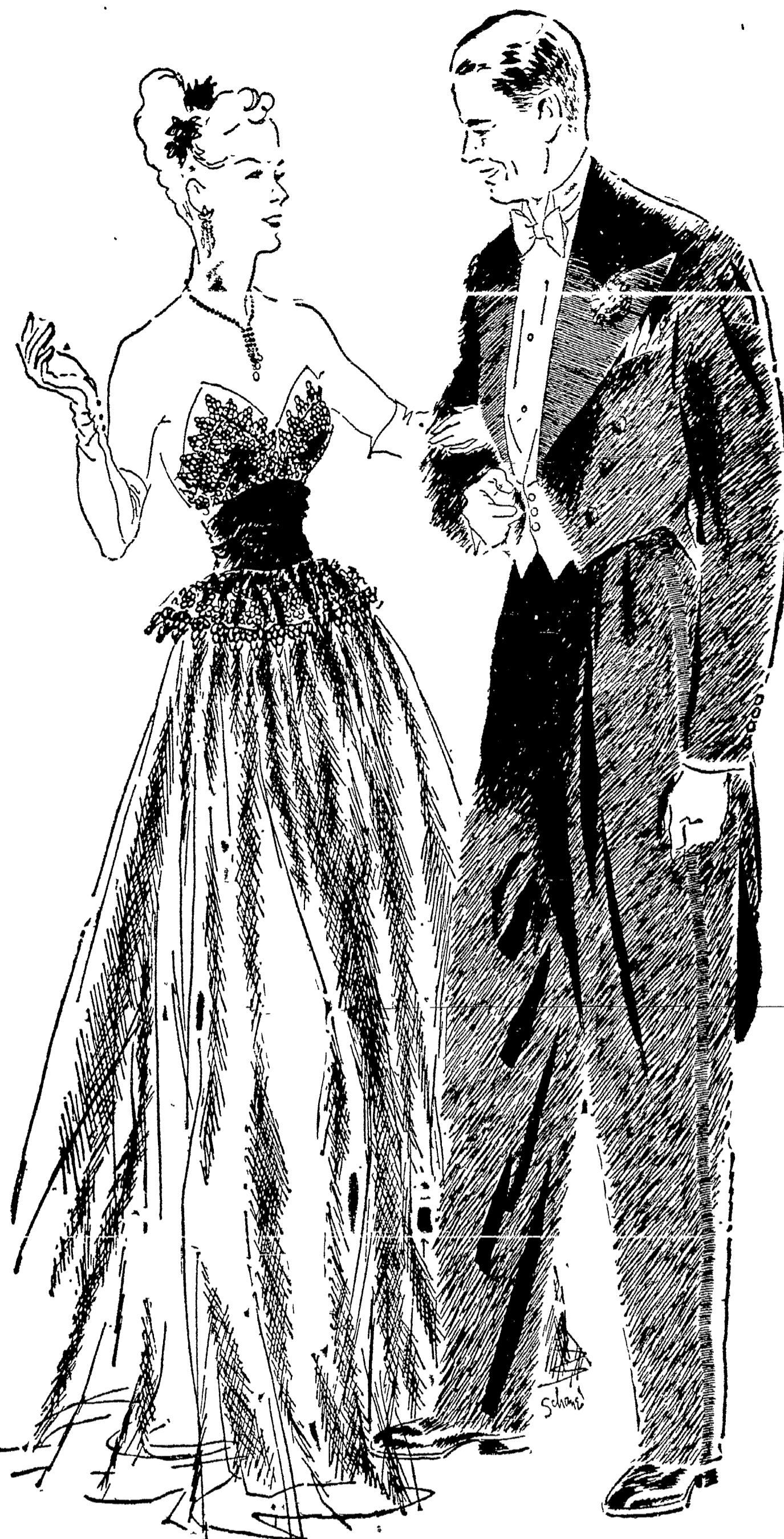
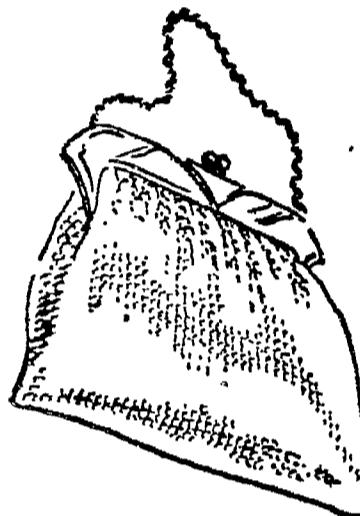


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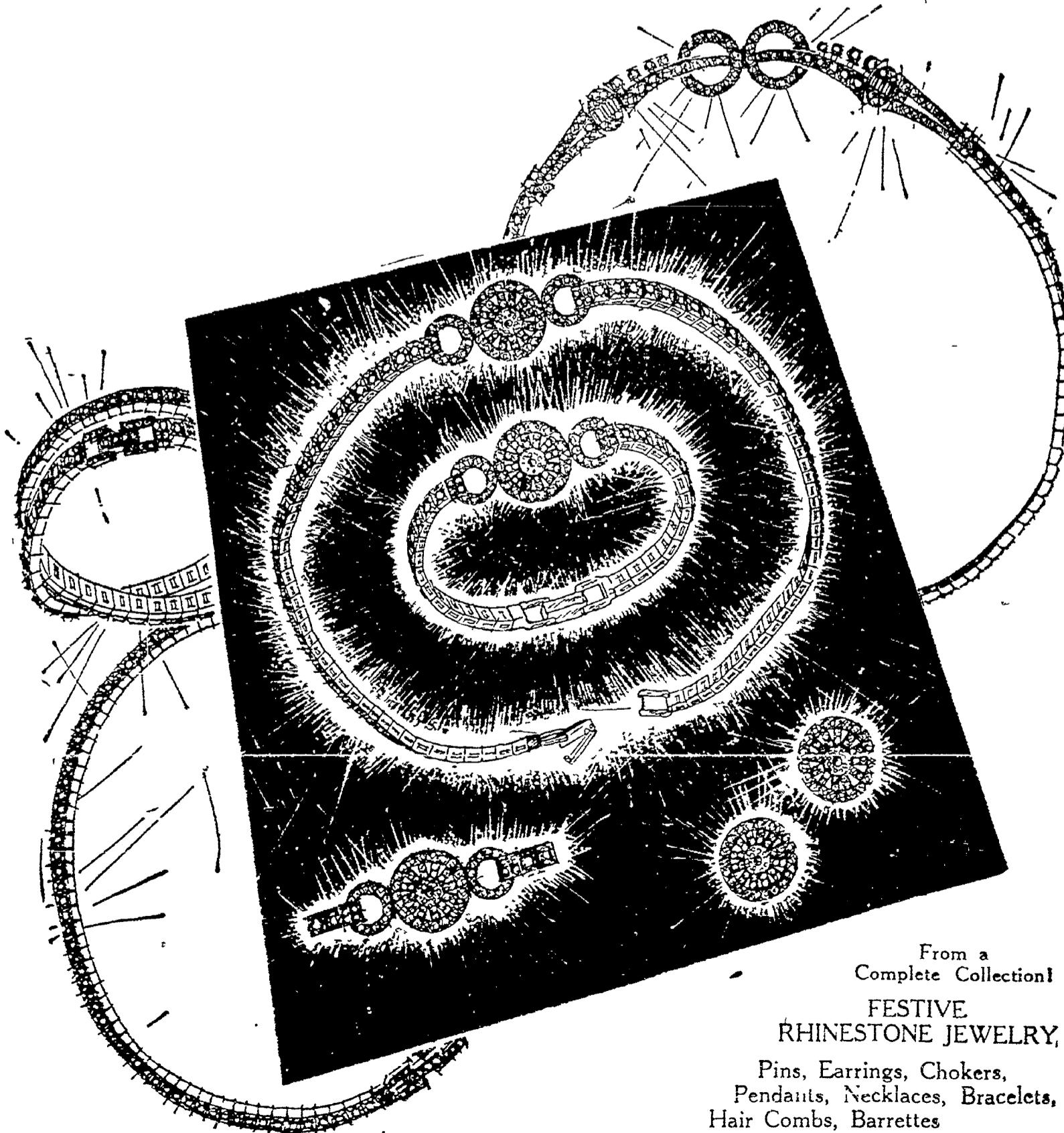
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BORO CELEBRATES—

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spending a lazy afternoon in warm, happy homes.

Partial proof that Christmas was a home and church holiday was furnished by area State police, who reported that traffic was medium to light during the day, and by local police, whose log was light.

Trains and buses of the Reading Railroad company system ran on the curtailed holiday schedule, with traffic on the light side, except for the day before Christmas, when last-minute visitors were arriving to spend the holidays at home, and delays were no greater than usual.

Captain Metal Cox, of the Salvation Army, was prepared for emergency Christmas calls, but none came. "We were all ready, he declared, "but nothing developed. It looks like no one was home this year."

In the basement of the Holy Trinity Catholic church, the Holy Trinity Catholic club sponsored its annual Christmas party in the afternoon, with 212 youngsters present to enjoy the fun and receive their presents.

After a program of appropriate movies, 19 volunteers took part in a singing contest, each giving his all in a Christmas carol, while Margie Koval accompanied at the piano.

The winners, each of whom received prizes, were Lucille Elias, Peter Hadley, Agnes Parvenski, Margaret Barlos, Monica Katch, Joseph Ondo and Mary Plosko.

All the children at the party were given elaborately-wrapped silver dollars, a box of candy, an orange and a candy cane.

W. Carroll Hadley Jr. led the group in singing. Stephen J. Vagasky was the master of ceremonies, and Michael A. Kovach, president of the club, was in charge of the affair.

Working with Kovach were George A. Pipko, George W. Zelenick, Andrew Harmonoski, M. Lukas, Michael S. Barlos, John Yanusko, Joseph J. Zueno, John A. Dukas Jr. and Stephen Piroshak.

The boys and girls spent the two hours that the party lasted at a high pitch of excitement, for they knew that Christmas belongs to them.

The Christmas that the stranger was looking for was all around him, but at first he had not looked in the right places. For the day was not in the streets; it did not publicize its presence with noise and ostentatious uprightness.

It was in the hearts and minds of all the people.

PALESTINE—

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careen quarter of Jerusalem. One person was killed and three wounded in the clash.

Six Jews riding in a bus were wounded when two grenades were hurled at the vehicle in a Jerusalem suburb.

Arab road blocks were thrown up in the fashionable Jerusalem residential quarter of Katamon and Arabs checked identity papers of travelers.

Two Jewish men and a girl were wounded by rifle fire in the Jaffa-Tel Aviv area. A ten-year-old Arab girl was wounded in the Arab village of Jabalan.

Three British police and two airborne troops were wounded in the streets of Haifa.

Arabs captured guns and bullets in a raid on a police post at a British army camp.

Three Jews were reported injured seriously when a bomb was thrown into Jaffa prison courtyard while Jewish prisoners were taking their morning walk.

Occupants of two trams exchanged fire on the Lydda-Haifa main line. No damage or casualties resulted.

LINOTYPE OPERATOR DIES
HARRISBURG, Dec. 25 (UPI)—Oscar Roles, 41-year-old linotype operator, died in the Harrisburg hospital yesterday after a brief illness.Keepsake
Diamond RingHOMART Gas Water
HEATER

Explosion Victim Gets Plasma



His face terribly burned in an explosion in the Solvent Recovery plant of the Celanese corporation, Newark, N. J., William Labus, a worker, lies in the St. James hospital, his face swathed in bandages while a nurse administers plasma. The blast blew off the wall of a five-story building, causing serious injury to 14. For a time many others were thought trapped. Rescue work was delayed by heavy soap fumes.

'CYCLIST KILLED—

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Mitchell Phoenixville RD 1; Mrs. Mae Blackness, Spring City RD, and Mrs. Evelyn Bobst, Pottstown RD 1.

Three young couples were slightly injured early this morning when the car they were riding in skidded on some ice and overturned on Ringling hill.

Harold Missimer 19, 517 Hanover Street, was driver of the car which is owned by his brother, Harold, a passenger.

The driver said he was going north up the hill on North Charlotte street when the vehicle skidded, went out of control and turned at least once, he said.

A passing motorist picked up the six occupants and drove them to the Pottstown hospital.

The only one admitted was Raymond P. H. of 521 1/2 High Street, who complained of a sore back and shoulder. He will be x-rayed today. The others were treated for superficial cuts and discharged.

The accident occurred at 12:20 a.m. The car was badly smashed.

In another accident late Wednesday night, the car of John P. Logan, Philadelphia, was ex-

tensively damaged when lights of an oncoming car blinded him and he crashed into a telephone pole and a parked car a mile west of Pottstown.

Logan told police of the Collegeville sub-station that he hit the pole on the south side of the highway as he was going east on Route 422 and veered off, crashing next into the parked car of Dr. Edward H. Plat, Collegeville, also on the south side of the road.

Police estimated damage to Logan's car at \$600 and said that only the right rear fender of Dr. Plat's vehicle was dented.

The accident occurred at 11:30 o'clock.

The seven nations in the Arab League are Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Iraq, Trans-Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and Yemen.

Former Premier Tojo
Apologizes for Defeat

TOKYO Dec. 26 (UPI)—Hideki Tojo, on trial for his life as a war criminal, took the witness stand today and sat silent while his Japanese attorney started reading a 65,000-word deposition in which the former premier of Japan apologized to his emperor for losing the war that he defiantly declared was fought in self-defense.

TOGO QUESTIONED
TOKYO Friday, Dec. 26 (UPI)—Sir William Webb, president of the international war crimes tribunal, cross-examined ex-foreign minister Shigenori Togo on behalf of 11 Allied nations today.

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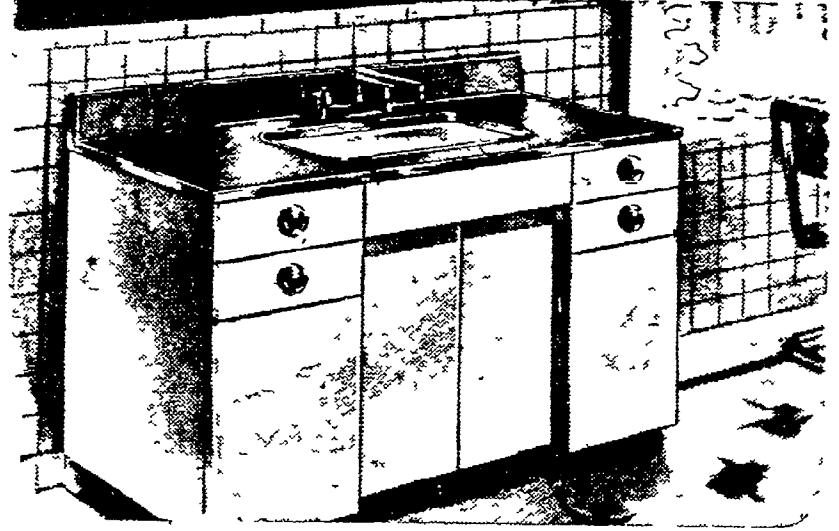
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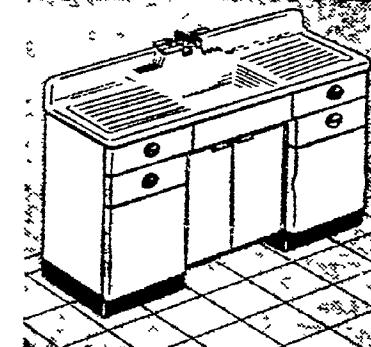
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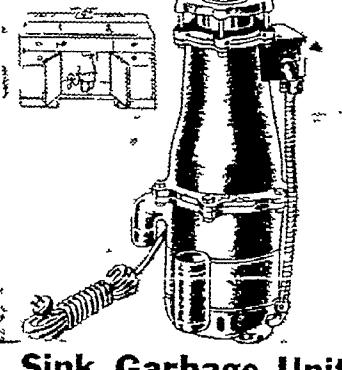
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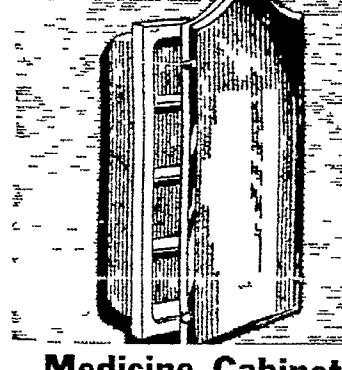
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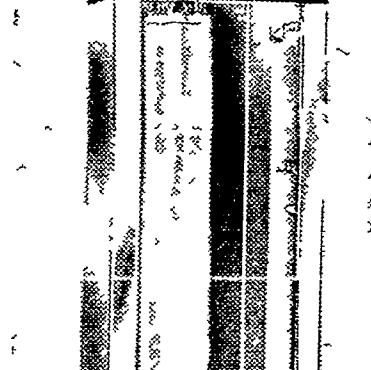
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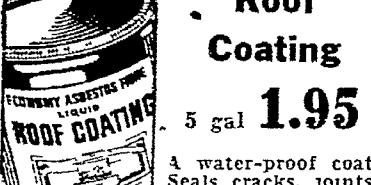
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SEARCH PLANES
FIND BOMBER
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Nine Fliers Are Safe
As B17 Makes Forced
Landing in Labrador

WESTOVER FIELD, Mass., Dec. 25 (AP)—A B17 flying fortress forced down with seven crewmen and two passengers yesterday on frozen Lake Astoria, Labrador, was located today by search planes after a 400-mile search.

The big bomber had been delivering Christmas mail to service outposts on Baffin Island.

Apely-named Lake Astoria is 275 miles northwest of the Royal Canadian Air Force field at Goose Bay, in wild sector of Labrador presently blanketed with 29 inches of snow. Temperatures range from zero in daylight to 10 below at night.

Radio messages received here at Atlantic division headquarters of air transport command from Goose Bay said the bomber made a forced landing on the ice-covered lake. All nine aboard were reported safe.

The rescue planes quickly made several drops of food, clothing, matches, and medical supplies and equipment before darkness closed in the area at 4:30 p.m.

Meanwhile, a C54 four engined transport plane took off tonight from Westover field carrying an Army pilot skilled in flying a special ski-equipped C47 twin-engine rescue plane waiting at Goose Bay.

A rescue attempt is planned for tomorrow morning with the C47, which is able to operate on wheels as well as skis. The craft will be flown by Lt. Col. Emi G. Beaudry, of Manchester, N.H.

Messages did not make clear whether the bomber was damaged and gave no details as to the names of crewmen and passengers, other than to report them all safe.

The downed plane's position was given as 54 degrees 33 minutes north latitude, 66 degrees 33 minutes west longitude.

Standing by at Westover were a helicopter and a C82 "flying boxcar."

Shortly after noon today—nearly 24 hours after coming down—the stranded airmen called on the rescue ships to drop snowshoes, axes, skis and a magnet for an auxiliary power unit to keep their radio going.

\$420,000 Loss Results

In Metal Plant Blaze

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 25 (AP)—Damage estimated at \$420,000 resulted from a fire which swept the Minneotte Brothers metal fabricating plant today at nearby Hays.

Firemen estimated damage of \$20,000 was caused to the two-story building. A spokesman for the company placed loss of material and tools at \$400,000.

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Weeps at Inquest



Taft Works on Alternative Plan For Medical Care by Grants

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 (AP)—Senator Taft (R-Ohio) today challenged Democrats to make an issue of compulsory health insurance in 1948, declaring that he will seek congressional approval for an alternative plan for Government grants to States for medical care.

The Ohio senator told a reporter he has noted increasing "propaganda activity" in behalf of the long beleaguered Murray-Wagner-Dingell health insurance bill, adding that he expects Democrats to push strongly for its passage in the session beginning Jan. 6.

"It's all right with me if the Democrats want to make an issue of it," said the Ohio senator, an announced candidate for the Republican presidential nomination. "I don't think the people of this country want the regimentation involved in a compulsory plan that makes every doctor subject to Government regulation."

Taft said he expects President Truman to renew in his State of the Union message to Congress the appeals he has made in the past for health insurance legislation. Senator Murray (D-Mont.), one of the authors of the Murray-Wagner-Dingell measure, said Democrats will make "every effort" to bring it up next session.

He said some changes in its form will be considered, adding that a recent suggestion by Bernard M. Baruch, adviser to Presidents, that the compulsory features of the law be confined to persons with incomes of less than \$5000 a year will be studied.

Although the coming session of Congress will be devoted largely to debate over European recovery and anti-inflation measures, Taft indicated that he hopes to win approval of certain other measures.

He mentioned, in this connection, pending legislation for State grants to states to help finance education, a program of increasing veterans housing and his own medical care bill.

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Seven Indians Die In Gas Explosion

GARDNERVILLE, Nev., Dec. 25 (AP)—Seven and possibly nine Indians were burned to death in a gasoline explosion which resulted from a violent quarrel during a Christmas party today.

Ten other Indians were burned critically. The fire turned a gambling shack at the poverty-stricken community of Dresslerville into a flaming inferno.

Sheriff James Farrell said the explosion occurred about 3:30 a.m.

when one of the celebrants threw a gallon jug of gasoline on a stove which he had kicked over.

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James A. Roberts, 82, was killed last night when he was struck by an auto on route 40. The accident occurred a short distance from here near the aged man's home.

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Air Force Conducts Bomb Experiments At Sub Defenses

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 (AP)—A three-month experiment in Germany with B29s and huge bombs has given the United States Air Force a bag of new tricks for blasting into deep underground defense sites, USAF officials disclosed today.

They informed a reporter that "Operation Harken," in which 25,000-pound bombs specially designed for deep penetration of earth and concrete were dropped from high altitude on a former German submarine assembly plant near Bremen, had been completed.

While withholding details on the amount of penetration obtained and the precision of the high altitude bombing, officials said conservatively that they were completely satisfied with results, the accuracy was better than expected and that the British Royal Air Force, which collaborated with the experiments, was "pleased and amazed" with results.

USAF experts, who were at the test, did not specify the altitudes at which the big bombs were released to bore down into the 24-foot reinforced concrete covers of the U-boat plant, saying only that they were "high altitudes." During the war a high-altitude B29 mission usually released its bombs at heights ranging between 25,000 and 30,000 feet.

DR. MEYERS

Typhoon Lashes Manila Area; Homes Destroyed, Ships Aground

MANILA, Friday, Dec. 26 (AP)—Manila was paralyzed today by an 80-mile-an-hour typhoon which ripped through this war-scarred capital at sunup, 12 hours ahead of schedule.

The big blow, its center about 20 miles from the city, blew the roof off the government-owned Manila hotel, largest in the city, badly buffeted the presidential palace, flattened countless small houses of the poor, disrupted communications and forced ships aground.

The first police report of casualties said one 65-year-old woman was killed by a falling tree and three other persons were injured in the collapse of a stable.

Efforts to establish radio contact with Tacloban, capital of Leyte island, were unavailing. Globe Wireless last night picked up a message from an unidentified station saying "Tacloban burning like hell," but there was no indication whether the city was meant or a ship of that name.

The typhoon, on a northwesterly path from the Pacific to the China sea, left Avenida Rizal and the Escolta, the main business streets, looking as if war had just departed. Litter was everywhere.

Malacanan palace, residence of President Roxas, had its stained glass windows smashed, and its beautiful grounds were littered with upturned trees and scrap iron blown from other buildings.

Weather experts estimated that the peak of the blow had been reached at 6:55 a.m. The winds moderated later in the morning.

The suddenness of the blow caught the airlines unprepared. At least two commercial planes were

overturned and damaged beyond repair.

The 932-ton Danish motorship Kina, bound for Europe via Singapura, reported she was aground near Camandag off Samar island and that her crew was preparing to abandon ship. The message, relayed to Globe Wireless by an inter-island ship, ended with a laconic "no use," indicating the Kina could not hear answering signals.

A second inter-island ship reported the Kina in a sinking condition.

A hundred miles to the north the typhoon was lashing the Pacific coast of southeastern Luzon, where the 3070-ton Norwegian freighter Tigre message RCA here that she had been driven ashore south of Platnick, a town on the island of Lagonoy gulf.

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DEATHS - FUNERALS

MRS. LEANNA Y. GERHARDT, widow of Daniel Gerhardt, formerly of Stony Run, near Spring City, died in Phoenixville hospital yesterday at 12:30 o'clock noon, following an illness of several weeks. She was admitted to the hospital Nov. 29.

Mrs. Gerhardt lived with her daughter, Mrs. Clarence L. Funk, KIMBERTON, since the death of her husband, 11 years ago. She was born in New Hanover township, Montgomery county.

For 50 years she resided at Stony Run, where Mr. Gerhardt operated a creamery. She was a member of East Vincent Reformed church. Surviving are her daughter, Georgia, wife of Clarence L. Funk; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Funk Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with interment in East Vincent cemetery.

WILLIAM F. KULP, 77, died last night at 7:45 o'clock at the home of a son, Harold H. Kulp, WALL STREET, SPRING CITY, following an illness of several weeks. He was bedfast the past four weeks.

Mr. Kulp, a retired stove moulder, lived in this community most of his life. He was born in Montgomery county, son of the late William and Margaret Kulp. He was employed at the Floyd-Wells company, retiring in 1941.

He was a member of Spring City Methodist church, the Owls, Pottstown; POS of A and Jr. OUM lodges, Spring City, and the Iron Moulder's union.

Surviving are his wife, Katie Lillian (Hetzick) Kulp; two sons, Harold H., with whom he lived, and Leo H., Schuykill road; four grandchildren, one great-grandson and two brothers, Jacob Kulp, Royersford RD 1, and Samuel Kulp, Walnut street, Royersford.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED Mr. and Mrs. William McBride, 354 Main street, announced the engagement of their daughter, Betty Louise, to Maurice E. Hampton, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Oliver Hampton, 659 Main street, both of Royersford.

Britain expects to spend \$600,000,000 in the next five years on coal mining equipment, especially machinery.

Twin Boro Classified

Deaths 1
GERHARDT - In Phoenixville hospital, on Thursday, Dec. 25, 1947, Leanna Y. Gerhardt, 77, widow of Daniel Gerhardt. Friends are invited to attend the funeral from the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence L. Funk, Kimberton, on Monday at 2 p.m. Interment East Vincent cemetery. Friends may call at the home Sunday evening 7 to 9.

KULP - In Spring City on Thursday, Dec. 25, 1947, William F. Kulp, aged 77 years. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral at the National Funeral home, 100 Main Street, Spring City, on Tuesday at 2 p.m. Interment, Zion's cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Monday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Card of Thanks 2

STEINMETZ

The family of the late Josiah K. Steinmetz desire to thank the kind neighbors and friends for their attendance and sympathy, floral tributes and use of cars offered during their recent bereavement.

In Memoriam 3

BUCKINGHAM - Little Buckingham, who passed away Dec. 25, five years ago today. Gone a wonderful Mother. Sadly missed by Sons, Francis, Horace and Daughter-in-Law.

FOX - In loving memory of George W. Fox, who passed away Dec. 25, five years ago. Dearly loved and sadly missed by Daughter Jean and Family.

FOX - In loving memory of George W. Fox, who died one year ago today. Dearly loved and sadly missed by wife and children.

We Can Do It 18

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Articles for Sale 46

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The engagement of Miss Jeanne L. Kline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard E. Kline, 305 North Fifth avenue, Royersford, to Douglas R. Lincoln, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey T. Lincoln, Royersford RD 1, was announced at a Christmas dinner yesterday at the home of the parents of the bride-to-be. No wedding date was set.

Miss Kline a graduate of Royersford high school with the class of 1946, holds a position in the National Bank of Royersford. Mr. Lincoln attended Royersford High school until he entered the armed forces during the war, in which he served two years overseas. He is now attending Spring Garden Institute, Philadelphia.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Slawski and daughter, Deborah; Robert Kline, Mr. and Mrs. Evan Kline and children, Molly, Roberta, James and Brooke, and Mr. and Mrs. Kline, the betrothed couple.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Heller Jr., 172 Chestnut street, Spring City, have as Christmas guests, their son and daughter-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. Emerson E. Heller and daughter, Randee, who arrived from Spokane, Wash. Lt. Heller will be transferred to Panama Jan. 15, with the U.S. Air Corps.

Mrs. Ida Mae Smith, Spring City, has been admitted to Phoenixville hospital.

The annual U.S. death rate from tuberculosis has been reduced from 100 to 35 percent per 100,000 in the past 20 years.

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Butyl Tires Found To Hold Air for Months at Time

NEW YORK, Dec. 25 (AP) - Every one who has new auto tires is riding on an improvement that he probably never heard about - a butyl synthetic rubber inner tube.

Butyl is the greatest single wartime improvement over natural rubber. It holds air, better far than anything else. Three or four inflations a year are enough to maintain the even pressure that tire makers say will make any tire last longer.

No civilian got butyl during the war. Now he scarcely can get anything else. The manufacturers have used no ballyhoo, because the other wartime synthetic inner tubes were so bad compared with real rubber.

Butyl rubber is interesting even

when being born. It is made at temperatures far below zero. It boils at sub-zero cold.

There is another postwar improvement that might be called, "inner tube synthetic rubber." You prefer, or why are so many hot-water bags red?

Color in rubber goes back many years to a discovery that antimony sulfide was superior for making good rubber. It happened that antimony sulfide gave rubber a rich, golden-yellow color.

Synthetic rubber failed, until recently, to take any color well. The

reason was that the chemicals needed to keep oxygen from deteriorating the synthetic were so powerful they discolored anything except black.

Inert preservatives, called age resistors, were developed that did not discolor rubber, but they

smelled. Usually the odor was carbolic or medicinal.

Lately the United States Rubber company found a resistor that doesn't smell. Now synthetic rubber can be given any color desired, the color will last,

and it will not offend your nose.

So penetrating were the old age resistors, that a white-walled tire often would have its white

surface of the old age chemicals that came all the way through from inner tubes.

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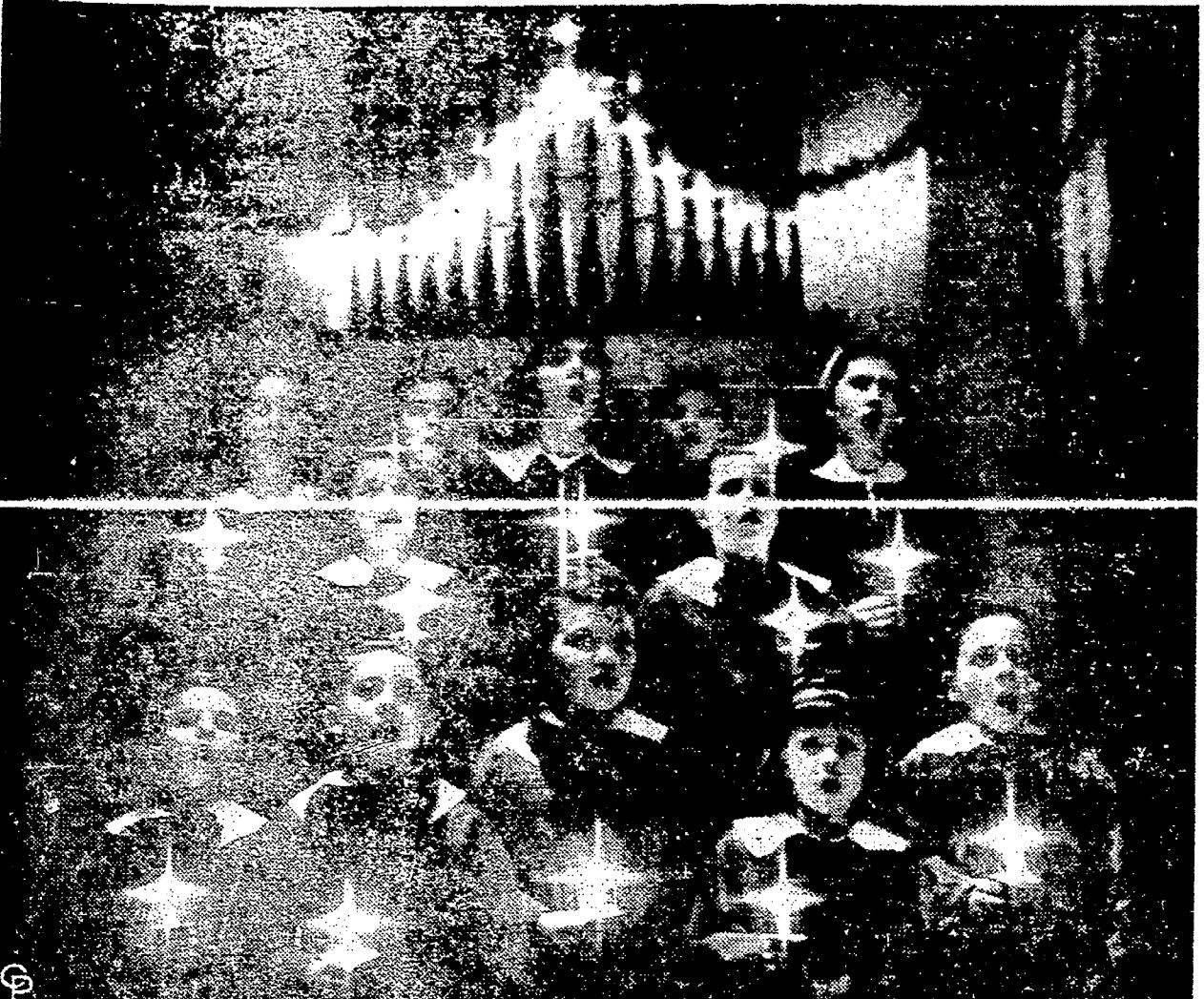
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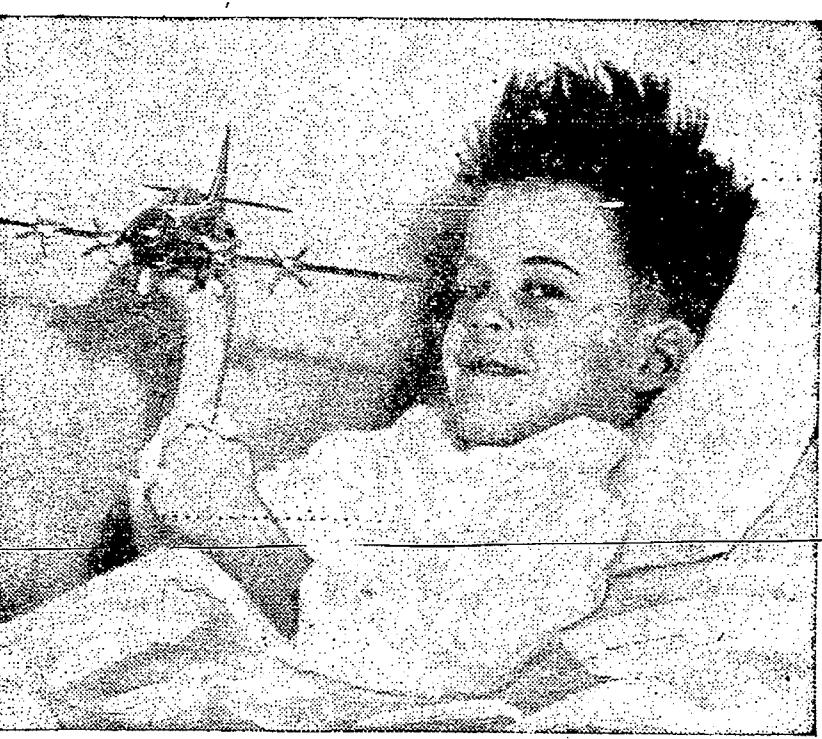
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AROUND THE WORLD THROUGH CAMERA'S EYE



THROUGHOUT THE CHRISTIAN WORLD, children's voices join again in hymns and carols of Christmastide. Penetrating the din of great cities or soft on the still air of remote countrysides come the favorite anthems—"Hark, the herald angels sing"—, or "Joy to the world, the Lord has come"—. Above, a typical group of young choristers rehearse for the annual candlelight services at Crawford Memorial Methodist Church in New York. Each light appears to have become a star as the result of a cameraman's ingenuity. (International)



ON LEARNING THAT HE MAY go home for the holidays, Forrest "Nubbins" Hoffman, 6, smiles from his Denver, Colo., hospital bed. His mother, Mrs. Marshall Hoffman of Cheyenne, said that it is the first time that "Nubbins" has smiled in the many months he has spent in hospitals. He is still under treatment for a kidney ailment which brought an early Christmas party for the boy in 1944, when it was believed he could not live until Dec. 25 of that year. The courageous boy must have his third major operation some time in January. (International Soundphoto)



THE MORAL OF THIS PICTURE IS—never carry a loaded rifle on a moving vehicle. Armando Molina, 16, San Francisco, tried it as he started on a hunting trip. He boarded a bus and rested his gun in his lap. Suddenly the bus hit a bump. The gun was discharged and the slug tore through the hunter's shoulder. An ambulance steward is shown attending the wounded youth as spectators peer through a bus window. (International)



ON RETURN LEG of a cruise to Jamaica, 82-year-old John Antle, retired minister of Vancouver, B.C., and Lucy Varty, 20, a former member of his congregation, arrive in Los Angeles in their 48-foot yawl. A third member of the crew, 21-year-old Audrey Sherlock, remained in Panama when she tired of battling seas. (International)



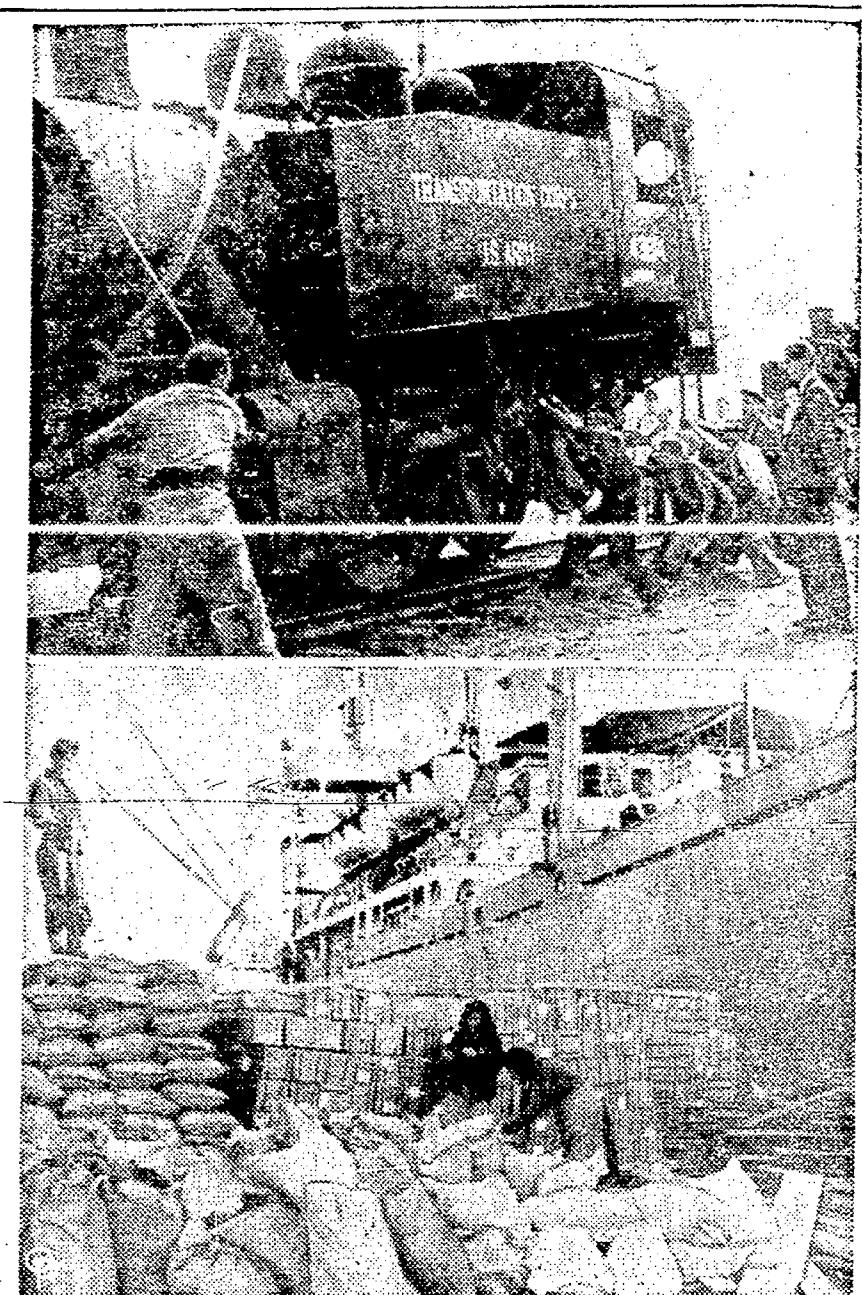
WRECKAGE IS ALL THAT REMAINS of this helicopter after it crashed and burned in Portland, Oregon. The accident was seen by a party of friends and the family of one of the men who perished in the craft. The victims were Sam C. Jackson, Jr., 33, pilot of the plane, and Ambrose M. Cronin. Both were residents of Portland. (International Soundphoto)



AFTER SAVING his master's life, "Tanzer," a Seeing-Eye Boxer, nuzzles blind Harry Strong, 50, of Wyndach, N.Y., in the Bay Shore, N.Y., hospital. Nurse Agnes Powell looks on. Hospital authorities are unable to get the German Boxer to leave Strong's side. Although the dog pulled Strong from the path of a car, the auto struck the blind man a glancing blow, breaking his shoulder and severely bruising him. (International)



AN ORPHAN at the International Children's Colony at Pestalozzi Village, Trogen, Switzerland, helps carry in one of the boxes of Christmas ornaments sent by the boys of Children's Village, Dobbs Ferry, N.Y. The decorations, first ever seen by most of the homeless European children, were flown to Switzerland. (International)



PART OF THE 200,000 TONS of relief supplies, and 85,000 tons of military supplies sent to Greece since the American Mission started its work there, a locomotive (top) is unloaded at Salonica and placed on rails. At bottom, a soldier guards a shipment of military supplies against possible sabotage. Food, medical supplies and other necessities are arriving in the stricken country in a steady stream. (International)



AFTER BEING hospitalized for 13 months in the Shriners Hospital in Philadelphia, Jimmy Carrick, 10, of Pittsburgh, Pa., is able to walk again unassisted. He was suffering from tuberculosis of the spine. The plucky boy, dressed in his official seabee mascot uniform, salutes as he holds tight to his sea bag and toy teddy bear. (International)



AMERICA'S YOUNGEST naturalized citizens, Urania and Mary Mistiloglou are shown with their mother, Georgia, in Chicago's U.S. Federal Court where they "got their papers." They were born in Greece of an American mother and a Greek father. Their father is now serving with the Greek army and will join them on his release. (International)



READY TO MARCH on the capitol to lobby for continued rent controls, more than 100 high-cost-of-living fighters from greater New York arrive in Washington. It is the first of several large groups from many sections of the nation who are expected to join in registering their complaints with congressional leaders. (International)



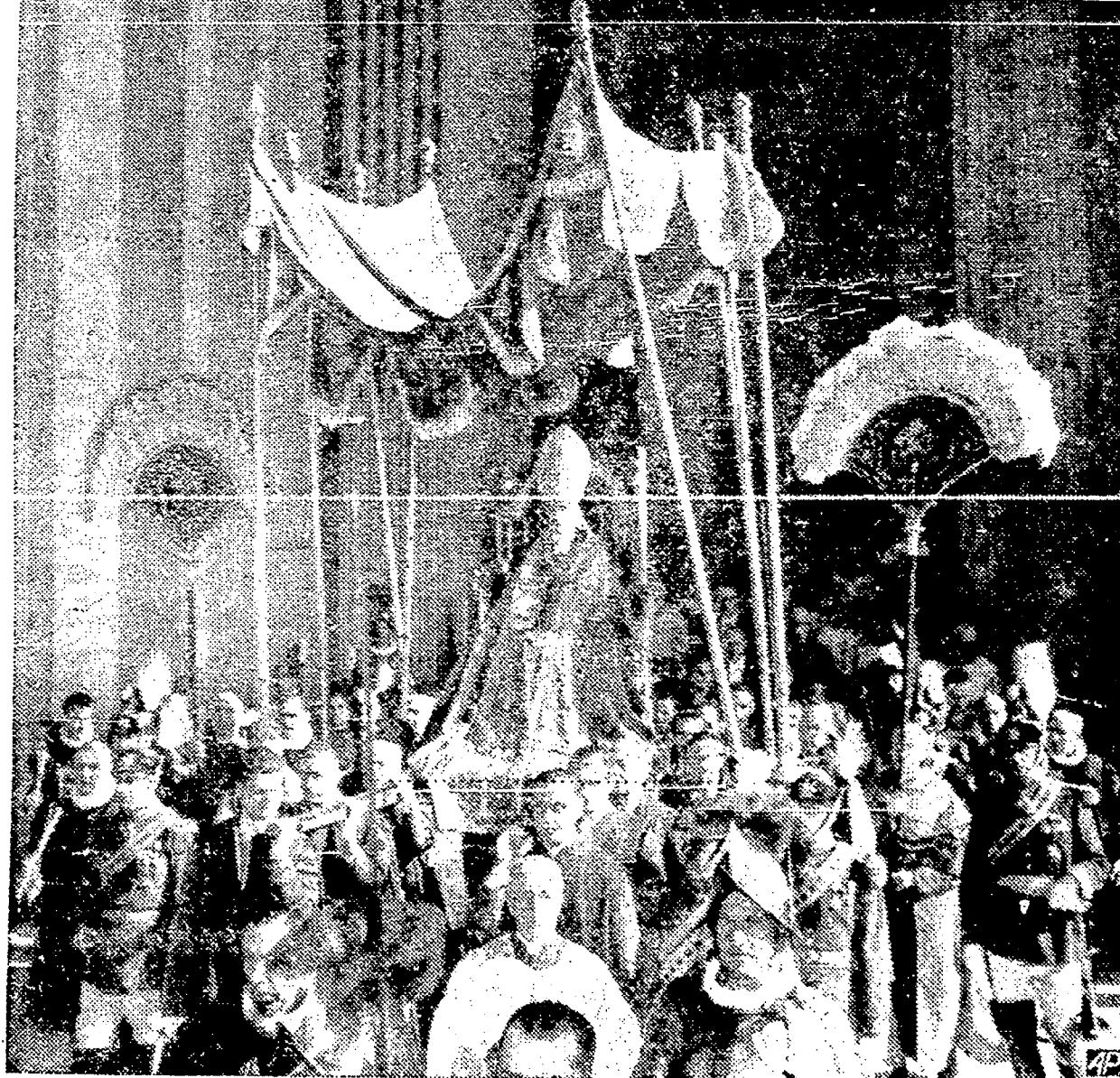
Russia's new Ambassador to the United States, Alexandre S. Panushkin (above), 42, is shown on his arrival in New York aboard the S.S. Mauretania. He replaces Nicolai V. Novikov, who was recalled to Moscow in July for "reasons of ill health."



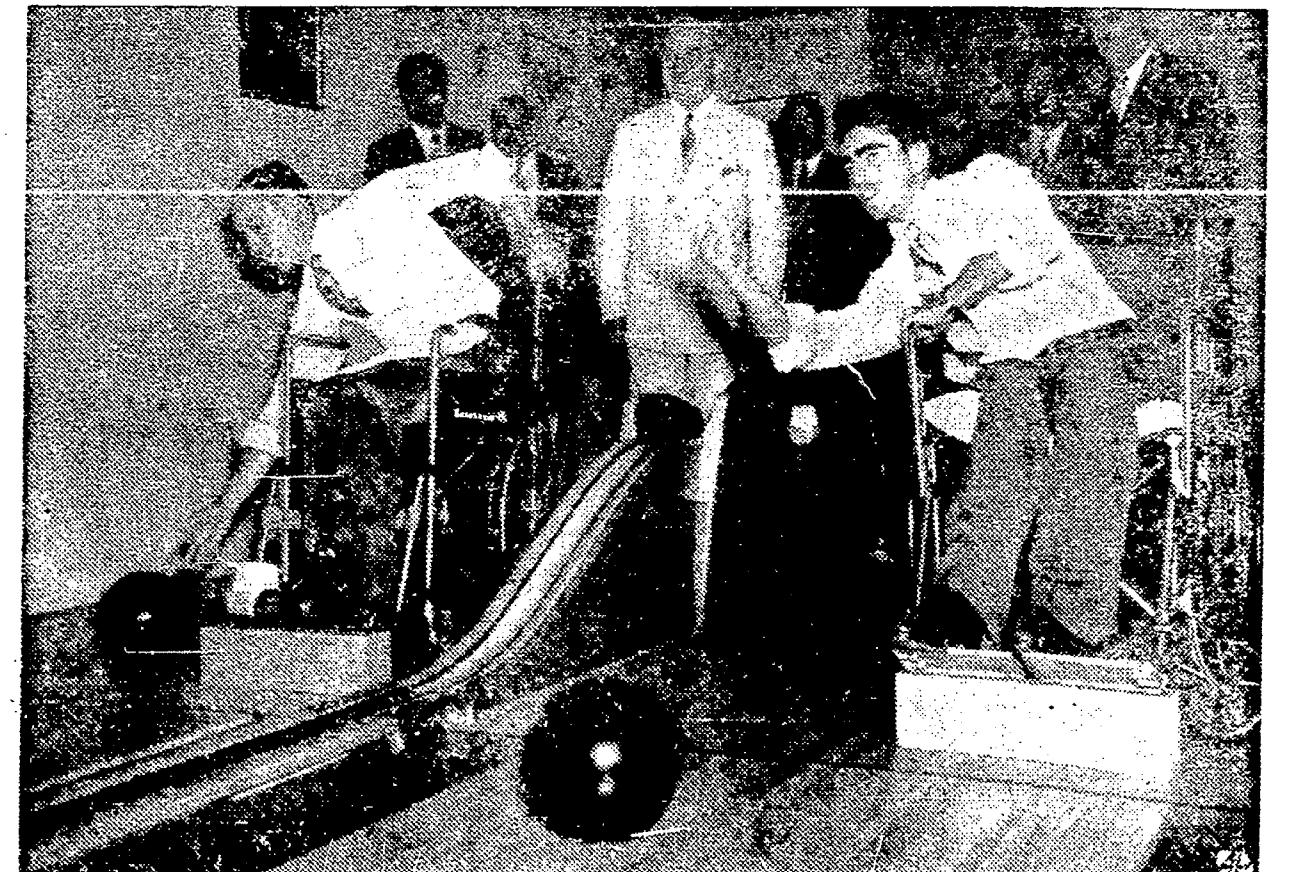
BIG BOY — Willard Parker, Canadian ambassador to Greece, holds his husky son, Walter Van Eps, who was born last Feb. 13.



ENVY AND QUEEN — Maj. Gen. L. R. LaFleche (left), Canadian ambassador to Greece, talks with Queen Frederika at the village of Saint Sifira, north of Athens, during the inauguration by King Paul of highway reconstruction work. (International)



POPE ATTENDS CEREMONIES — Pope Pius XII, wearing mitre, is carried into St. Peter's Cathedral, Rome, in throne, flanked by Nobel Guards, for ceremonies canonizing Joao de Britto, Portuguese; Giuseppe Cafasso and Bernardino Realino, Italians. (International)



VETS BOWL FOR TRUMAN — President Truman watches a bowling exhibition at the White House by disabled veterans G. A. Kopp, Spokane, and L. L. Ladouceur, Detroit. (International)

Trojans Tackle Alumni Combination Tonight

OLD-TIMERS 5 MAY START TILT FOR GRADUATES

Eppeheimer Named Captain
Of Seeders' Combination
In ABC Sponsored Contest

"The worm will turn!"
That's the way Jerry Seeders summed up his squad's feeling for the basketball game tonight against Pottstown High school's Trojans as the Alumni read to go after a hard workout yesterday prepared its repertoire of basketball activities for display at the local Franklin street temple at 8:15 o'clock.

"We've been getting kicked around too long," the Alumni head man went on to say, "and we are really at this one." "With the exception of last year, we haven't won for almost 20 years."

The proceeds of this annual struggle, sponsored by the American Business club, will be used to purchase drinking fountains for the Pottstown War Memorial.

The Good Pottstown High mentor said last night that he hoped it would be a good game and that he is anxious to see how the lay-off at Christmas has affected his young stalwarts.

Seeders with four complete playing aggregations at his disposal, hasn't committed himself on a starting lineup but he has thrown a number of broad hints which indicate that five of the eight "Old Timers" will take the court when the initial toot of the official's whistle sends the mad scramble officially on its way.

Tonight's encounter will bring back long lost memories for many of Pottstown's rabid sports fans as fellows like Detrich, Reichelderfer, John LeVeille, Ray Eppeheimer, Don Rugg, Tommy Reidnauer, Eddie Hartenstein, Woody Ludwig and David "Patsy" Mauger perform in a manner that has been slowed down somewhat by the weary pages of time which have been turned since these men were covorting for the institution of higher learning.

All signs, with assistance from the grapevine, point to a team of Reichelderfer and LeVeille at forwards, Eppeheimer, who was named captain, at center, and Rugg and Reidnauer at the guard positions.

As his number two team, Seeders has named Hartenstein, Ludwig, Mauger, Herb Drumheller and Harold Shaner while he plans to counter with his younger element when the "Old Timers" forget their enthusiasm and remember their age.

On the third team, which is dotted with young fellows, Seeders has Chuck Klaus, Ed Kovach, Claude Reinhardt, Jack Kurtz and Bobby Russell.

Saved for a clincher, if that be necessary, the Alumni tutor has a star-studded combination that is hard to beat George Metz and Elwood Schaeffer of Lock Haven State Teachers college, Jack Longaker, Lafayette; Henry Stofko, West Chester State Teachers college and Bobby Martz, Pennsylvania Military college.

For the Trojans, seeking their third victorious outing in five starts in this infant season, it will be Bobby Mauger and Stan Stolar at guards, Brower Yeager at the center slot and Gene Fecak and Don Ziegler at forwards.

In the preliminary tilt listed for 7:15 o'clock, UAW 644 and Pottstown Tool and Engineering quintets will provide the entertainment.

Flying Board Shoot for Turkeys & Roosters

Sunday, Dec. 28
at 12:30 P.M.

Fruitville Road, just off
Route 422 at Green Gables
H. Krause and Geo. Mitchell

Best Pro Versus Best Amateur



EAGLES TO COUNT ON LINE AGAINST CARDINAL FOES

Neale, Backfield Stars
Heap Paudits Upon
Al Wistert and Others

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25 (AP)—Coach Greasy Neale didn't hesitate today to tell you that the Philadelphia Eagles are counting on a broad-shouldered guy from Michigan and his six co-players to spearhead a National Football league championship victory over the Chicago Cardinals in Comiskey park Sunday.

The plaudits in the Eagles' drive to the Eastern division title have been reserved for Steve Van Buren, the jolting runner and Tommy Thompson, passer deluxe. But the players, including Van Buren and Thompson, hand the bouquets to Al Wistert, All-Professional tackle and inspirational leader of the Birds, and the rest of the forward wall.

Jack Kramer, (inset) considered by far the world's best amateur tennis player, will open his career as a professional tonight in Madison Square garden against Bobby Riggs, (above) for the past two years, king of the pros. Kramer is receiving \$50,000 for a tour with Riggs. Both players are confident of a victory while tennis observers have kept the betting rather even.

Bobby Riggs and Jack Kramer Tangle Tonight in Tennis Match

NEW YORK, Dec. 25 (AP)—The most eagerly awaited tennis match since before the war comes up at Madison Square garden tomorrow night when big Jack Kramer and small Bobby Riggs tangle in the first match of a professional tour which eventually will carry them through much of the world.

Riggs has been the undisputed professional champion for the past two years, since he finally beat Don Budge into reluctant submission. Kramer in the same period has established himself as much the best of the world's amateurs, and for a guarantee of \$50,000 he is starting out to try to prove that he can blast Riggs off the court.

Opinion is strongly divided on whether the Davis Cup hero can digest such a smart, rugged little operator as Riggs, who possibly is as great a defensive player as the game has seen.

The amateur crowd is banked almost solidly behind Kramer, but the professionals have a strong hunch, which they are backing with money, that Riggs will at least win the opener.

Riggs, himself, picks Riggs to win tomorrow night in four sets, though he says he regards Kramer as a better player than Budge ever was. "He has better service and overhead game than Don had," he says, "though maybe his backhand isn't quite as good. He's going to be tough, but it remains to be seen how he will do against my game."

Kramer is quietly confident that he can beat Riggs or anyone else if he has his big game under control. Most of the critics think so, too. Their only doubt is whether "Big Jake" will reach his peak under the strange new conditions of hard surface and blinding overhead lights.

It will be an old story to Riggs. He has played hundreds of matches indoors, and the closely-pressing crowd and the uproar will be meat in his skull. He will be in there fencing calmly against Kramer's blazing serves and drives, looking for some small weakness he can exploit.

TWO GAMES SCHEDULED
Two good games have been carded for tonight in Spring City high school gymnasium, beginning at 7:15 o'clock, when Parkside quintet will pair off with St. John Falcons, Pottstown. The second engagement will see Liberty Fire company Vets and Pottstown Amvets.

BASKETBALL

for the Benefit of American Business Club
War Memorial Fountain Fund

POTTSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

VS.

ALUMNI OF P. H. S. TONIGHT JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL GYM

—Also—

SPICER U. A. W. vs. P. T. and E. CO.

Preliminary Game 7:15

Big Game 8:15

Tickets \$1.00 (Including Tax)

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SATURDAY NIGHT—December 27

RUSS GARBER and His Orchestra

Dancing 9:30 P.M. to 12:30 A.M.

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SUNDAY NIGHT
RUSS GARBER AND HIS ORCHESTRA

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Wednesday, Dec. 31

Dancing From 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

RUSS GARBER and His Orchestra

Plus

MICKEY KLEMAN FLOOR SHOW

SPECIAL NOTICE !!!

All Kiddies that did not get their toys at the Christmas Party, can get them by calling at Dick's Parking Garage, 18 South Charlotte street.

PIAA and Catholic Schools Agree on Eligibility Standards

HARRISBURG, Dec. 25 (AP)—Public and Catholic high schools in Pennsylvania agreed on eligibility rules during 1947 that left the way open for inter-group athletic competition but as the year ended a court decision gave public schools a new problem in control and financing of athletics.

The interscholastic athletics dilemma developed over a Superior court ruling that receipts from athletic contests and other extracurricular activities must be handled exactly as tax monies.

The complication developed over a provision in the school code banning expenditures by school boards other than those provided by law.

Governor James H. Duff, however, entered into the situation with a statement that high school athletics and other extracurricular activities could be continued within scope of the court decision if the school boards do not delegate management and control of them and follow the school code in extracurricular expenditures.

For years, the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association has regulated school boy athletics in its member schools, now numbering 1,054 in the state. Dr. Francis B. Haas, State superintendent of public instruction, advanced a belief during the discussion, that the PIAA "can be continued as a voluntary organization."

The eligibility differences between the PIAA and the Catholic schools arose over the question of part-time coaches. The migratory rule also came into the discussion.

Under a strict interpretation of the PIAA constitution and by-laws no member school can now engage in athletics with a school whose rules are less strict than those of the PIAA. The Catholic schools do not engage full time coaches.

Each group appointed a committee to adjust the matter and it was finally decided to submit an amendment to the PIAA constitution to the member schools making it possible to meet Catholic schools whose coaches were approved by the superintendent of the Catholic diocese, by the principal of the Catholic high school, and by the district committee of the PIAA in which the Catholic school is located.

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ON THE AIR FRIDAY

MORNING

6	WFB	WCAU	WFL	WIP
7	NBC 1060 K	CBS 1240 K	ABC 700 K	MISS 610 K
8	Morning Gaiety	Jamboree	Plain Songs	Dawn Patrol
9	Morning Gaiety	Jamboree	Jack Day	News Music
10	E. D. 1060	Bingo Digest	Farmers' Market	Dawn Patrol
11	Ted Steele	Ames Kirby	Zeki Manners	News
	Musical Clock	News: Weather	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
	Musical Clock	Music: Weather	Patricia Miller	Connie Hines
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	Ruth Welles	Guest Star	Mac McGuire	News
	Jack Hiltz	Al Jolson	Chatter Bar	Mac McGuire
	Morning Variety's	With the Gaines	Xmas Music	News
	Fred Waring	Let's Have Fun	Keys to Happiness	Easy Aces
	Road of Life	Gladys Webster	Stage Stage	Stage Stage
	Joyce Jordan	Evelyn Harman	Kitchen Caps	Kitchen Caps
	Nora Drake	Arthur Godfrey	Tiny Ruffner	Heart's Desire
	Katie's Daughters	Chestnut Stewart	Heart's Desire	Heart's Desire
	Lora Lawton	Hal Malone	Galen Drake	Heart's Desire

AFTERNOON

12	Alan Gans	Warren, News	Welcome	Dave Smith
1	Lunchtime	Aunt Jenny	Traveler	Vic H. Lindahl
2	News: Songs	delen Trent	Sleepy Hollow	News
3	Major Magic	Our Gal Sunday	Spooker: News	Harmony Gang
4	Here's to Vets	Big Sister	Rhythm Show	Charlie Spivak
5	Music Variety	Dee Malone	Keys to Happiness	Little Show
	Today's Chances	Giving Light	Alvy Ives' News	Gems of Melody
	Music: White	Don and Milt	Music: News	Music: News
	Holly Gleam	Carrie Martin	Queen for a Day	Queen for a Day
	Light of World	Spotlight Show	Bartender Band	Messiah
	Life Beautiful	Rose of Dreams	Bride & Groom	Bride & Groom
	Ma Perkins	Double or Nothing	Studio Party	Marie Block Show
	Pepper Young	House Party:	Parade Whitteman Club	Music: News
	Back to Hiltz's	News	Paul Whitteman Club	Melody Matinee
	Stella Dallas	Hunt Hunt	The Music Goes Round: News	Serenade
	Lorenzo Jones	Craig on Stewart	Dick Tracy	Memory Lane
	Widder Brown	Lullaby Time	Terry & Pirates	Hop Harrigan
	When Girl Weds	Opinion Please	Jack Armstrong	Superior: News
	Portia Faces Life	"47 on Parade	Tom Mix	Good Midnight
	Just Plain Bill	Blue Moon		
	David Farrell	Lum 'n Abner		

EVENING

6	H. Robert Sports	J. Reeves News	6 P.M. Extra	BRICK BRADFORD
7	Bill Edwards	Sports: Weather	Extra: John Family	MISSING
8	Three Star Extra	Donald Mathews	Stevens: McLain	MISSING
9	Supper Club	Thomas Thomas	Uncle Wipey	MISSING
10	News	Beulah	Mealy Fair:	MISSING
11	Musical Milestones	Jack Smith	Unseen Advisor	MISSING
	Highways in Motion	Ed. Murray	News	MISSING
	Can You Too This	Snooks Show	Lone Ranger	MISSING
	People Are Funny	Adventures of the Thin Man	Cowboy Drama	MISSING
	Wait a Time	Mark Warnow	The Fat Man	MISSING
	Mystery Theatre	It Pays to Be Ignorant	This is Your FB	MISSING
	Bill Stern	Spotlight Show	Leave It to the Girls	MISSING
	Pro and Con	Spike Jones	The Bank	MISSING
	News	News: Weather	The Sheriff	MISSING
	Caravan	Q. Howe Powers	Bobby Plant vs. Young	MISSING
		Gouraud	American Sports Page	MISSING
		Sunny Dunham	Serenade	MISSING
		Orchestra	C'mon' Dance	MISSING
		Sports and News	C'mon' Dance	MISSING

FAGLEYSVILLE

Mrs. Dorothy Geisler, corr. Phone Potts Town 763-44. J. Ernest Bergoff, delivery.

A birthday and Christmas party was held recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wills Hetrick in honor of Mr. J. Luther Hetrick.

The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. Clair Hetrick and children, Betty, Dorothy, Erma, Isabel, Roy, Harold and Merrill; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rushon and children, Janice and Carol Ann; Mr. and Mrs. Russell Kurtz, Mr. and Mrs. Lea Hetrick and son, Harvey; Mrs. Lloyd Troxel and children, John and Margaret; Mrs. Walter Evans and daughters, Dorothy and Pearl; Mr. and Mrs. James Hetrick and children, Shirley, June and Eleanor, of Amityville, and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hetrick and son, Douglas and daughter, Alice Fay, of Barto.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moyer and children, Doris, Nancy, Dee and Dale from Bernville; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sands and children, Jane and Gale; Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Trout of Boyertown; Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hetrick and son, Donald, of Limerick; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hetrick and sons, Robert, Richard, Ronald and David, of Earlville, and Mrs. Eddie Kerr and daughters, Nancy and Sharon, Jack Hetrick, Ralph Wilson, of Oley; the Rev. and Mrs. William H. Solly, of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Endy and children, Dawn and Harold, of Gilbertsville; the Misses Mary and Marion Bacon of Pottstown, and Janet Hetrick and Miss Ruth Moser, of Oley.

The Mothers' club of Fagleyville school recently gave a Christmas party to the pupils of the school. Santa Claus distributed gifts after which the pupils enjoyed refreshments.

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Bright little Norman Chastenay, 1, is wide-eyed with wonder at all the new and strange sights at LaGuardia Field, N. Y., where he arrived by plane from Frankfurt, Germany, with his parents. The tot's father, an ex-GI from Concord, New Hampshire, went overseas to bring his wife and son back to the United States.



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Missing Son Found As Private in Army

CLEVELAND, Dec. 25 (AP)—News that her missing 18-year-old son is alive and healthy—as a member of the U. S. Army—gave a lift yesterday to Mrs. Philip Randall's Christmas celebration.

Friends from Stephens Point, N. Y., sent the welcome report to Mrs. Randall that they had received a letter from the youth, John E. Randall, II, stating that he had become an Army private at Fort Jackson, S. C.

Mr. Randall's earlier Christmas plans were shrouded with gloom after a \$500 reward brought no clues to the whereabouts of his son, who disappeared before Thanksgiving from Manlius school, near Syracuse, N. Y.

"I had thought that John was trying to get out of a uniform, instead of into one," stated the relieved mother, "but this news probably was the finest Christmas gift I have ever received."

Pastor Bases Peace On Worldly Good Will

In a message typical of those delivered in Pottstown churches yesterday morning, the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor of the Emmanuel Lutheran church, told his congregation:

"Peace on earth will be a reality only when men everywhere permit the Babe of Bethlehem to control their lives."

He continued. "The philosophy that seems to prevail today is that we shall have peace provided we are armed to the teeth."

"If we are ever to have peace on earth, it must come through the establishment of good will. Peace is for men whose hearts have been changed by the indwelling of Him, the anniversary of Whose Birth we celebrate today."

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TOO FAT POLKA
FOR ME AND MY GAL
RACING WITH THE MOON (Theme)
MOON OVER MIAMI
BLUE SKIES
SHANTY IN OLD SHANTY TOWN
SNOWFALL (Theme)
AUTUMN NOCTURNE

Frank Sinatra 37966
Vic Damone 5056
Woody Herman 37885
The Ravens 9038
Ruth Wallis 1112
Arthur Godfrey 37921
Vaughn Monroe 20-1707
Johns Long 23622
Claude Thornhill 37211

HILLBILLY

OLD SHEP HONEY, BE MY HONEY BEE
WHY SHOULD I FEEL SORRY FOR YOU
LIVING A LIE OVER YOU
WHAT IT MEANS TO BE BLUE
NEVER TRUST A WOMAN
CAROLINE DARLING
IT'S BEEN SO LONG DARLING
BE HONEST WITH ME
WORRIED MIND

Red Foley 46052
Red River Dave Goss
Tex Williams 40054
Ernest Tubb 46048
Roy Acuff 37020

ALL TIME FAVORITES

Harry James and His Orchestra
CIRIBIRIBIN — MUSIC MAKERS
ONE O'CLOCK AND TWO O'CLOCK JUMP
SLEEPY LACOON — Concerto for Trumpet
YOU MADE ME LOVE YOU
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BOHEMIAN POLKA
SURPRISE POLKA
AT THE WEDDING POLKA
FAIRY POLKA
POLICEMAN POLKA

Polka Kings 1136
Inter. Polka Orch. 1035
Sula's Musette 1010
Szostka Figlarzy 748
Harmonistow Orch. 706

BELLS OF ST. MARY'S

Bing Crosby
AREN'T YOU GLAD YOU'RE YOU
IN THE LAND OF BEGINNING AGAIN
THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S
ILL TAKE YOU HOME AGAIN, KATHLEEN

Decca Album 410 \$2.37

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